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PREFACE.

THERE was no longer any resistance to the King. Martial law had done its work in the North, and the country had been completely terrified into submission. Trees and gibbets along the highways bore pitiful burdens suspended in ropes or chains, and, however great the sympathy with the victims, it could not be safely expressed. Women, however, had ventured to sally forth at night to cut down their husbands' bodies and bury them decently—where they could, in consecrated ground, for rectors and vicars durst not connive at such defiance of authority.[1] All other expression of feeling seems to have been most effectually repressed.

But more regular proceedings had also taken place, preserving at least the form of law and justice. On the 6th March the abbot of Kirkstead, Thomas Moigne, and others to the number of 34, were arraigned at Lincoln before a special commission, for the parts they had taken in the Lincolnshire rebellion of October. They were all found guilty and executed the next day, though Thomas Moigne spoke three hours in his own defence "with such subtle allegations," as Sir William Parre reported to the King, "that if "Serjeant Hinde and your solicitor had not acquitted "themselves like true servants unto your Grace and "profound learned men, he had troubled and in "manner evict all the rest."[2] But the principal

[1] Part I., Nos. 1214, 1246, 1257. [2] Ib., Nos. 581, 590–91.

leaders had been sent up to London, where, on the 26th March, Dr. Mackerell, prior of Barlings, with Kendal, vicar of Lowth, and 10 others, were condemned at the Guildhall, and suffered at Tyburn on the 29th.[1]

So also as regards Yorkshire and the Northern counties, the King had now all the leaders in his hands at London, and Lords Darcy and Hussey, Aske and Sir Thomas Percy, Bigod and his half-unwilling tool George Lumley, Sir John and Ralph Bulmer, Sir Stephen Hamerton and Margaret Cheyney—who passed as Lady Bulmer, Sir John's wife, though she seems to have been another man's—had been safely lodged in the Tower. They were brought before special commissions at Westminster on indictments found in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire. The two Lords received sentence on the 15th May, and the others two days later,[2] with the exception of Ralph Bulmer, in whose case the Crown forbore to press for a verdict. Sir John and his lady, Percy and Hamerton, thought it as well to plead guilty, but gained no mercy thereby. They and all the others, except the lady, were sentenced to receive the death of traitors at Tyburn; she was to be dragged to Smithfield and burned. Next day another batch of prisoners consisting of Dr. Cockerell, quondam prior of Guisborough, Adam Sedberg, abbot of Jervaulx, William Thirsk, quondam abbot of Fountains, a Black Friar named Dr. Pickering, of Bridlington, his namesake John Pickering of Lythe, and Nicholas Tempest of Baschehall, had the usual doom pronounced upon them.[3]

Most of the sentences were executed at Tyburn on Friday in Whitsun week (25th May); but lords Darcy and Hussey, Percy, Constable, Bigod, and Aske were

[1] Part I., Nos. 734, 764. [2] Ib. Nos. 1207, 1227.
[3] Ib. Compare Wriothesley's Chronicle, I. 63.

kept in the Tower for some weeks longer.[1] The King ultimately determined to have Darcy beheaded on Tower Hill, and the others sent down into Yorkshire and Lincolnshire as a warning to the districts in which they had committed their so-called treasons. On the 27th June[2] he wrote to Sir William Parre to prepare to take the custody of Hussey, Constable, and Aske from Sir Thomas Wentworth, who would convey them down to Lincolnshire; and then to hand them over to the duke of Suffolk to be sent on to Hull, where the duke of Norfolk's men would take charge of them. He also gave directions that Constable should be hanged in chains at Hull, Aske at York, and that Hussey should be beheaded at Lincoln as soon as possible after his arrival there.[3] On the 28th the prisoners were delivered out of the Tower to Wentworth, who, after handing over his charge to Parre, was going Northwards to Carlisle, where he had just been made captain. The 30th was appointed as the day for Darcy to suffer on Tower Hill.[4]

And so it was done. Within nine months after the first outbreak in Lincolnshire the King had more than recovered his authority, shaken just for a moment by the outcry against his revolutionary proceedings, and had taken signal vengeance on everyone seriously implicated in the disturbances, even on those drawn into them against their wills.[5] The rash and ineffectual attempts of Bigod and Hallam had already strengthened

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[1] Part I., No. 1285: Part II., No. 105.

[2] Part II., App. No. 31. The first draft of the letter was dated 24th June and did not mention Hussey. *See* No. 133.

[3] No. 156.

[4] Nos. 166, 191 (45).

[5] Yet, to crown the work, a proclamation was issued of general pardon to those who had been seduced by Bigod into new rebellion, if they would sue for it under the Great Seal in Chancery! *See* No. 329 (2).

his hands to some extent. The Queen's pregnancy, which was already known in March, though the news does not seem to have been general till the close of April,[1] must have given him further assurance. On Trinity Sunday, the 27th May, *Te Deum* was sung in honor of the event at St. Paul's,[2] and orders were given to do the like at York and at Calais with firing of guns in testimony of the general satisfaction.[3]

Norfolk wrote to the King from Sheriffhutton on the 26th June to congratulate him on this subject and at the same time to inquire what numbers of men he was to summon to attend the King on his expected visit to the North of England. But the Queen's condition now gave Henry some excuse for going back upon his promises, and he announced to Norfolk in reply that on consultation with his Council he had determined to put off his visit to the North for another year. Of course it was hardly to be expected that the Queen should go with him now to be crowned at York. But the reasons Henry gave for not going himself were four: first that the Emperor was sending "personages of great honor" to him on matters concerning the weal of all Christendom. 2. That the Queen might be in danger "from rumors blown abroad in our absence" if the King went more than sixty miles from her. 3. That as the Emperor and French King had both great armies near Calais the King ought to be near at hand to prevent a breach of neutrality. 4. He had not visited the North since the commencement of his reign, and the year was now so far advanced that he could hardly go beyond York, whereas next year he hoped to visit Hull, Carlisle,

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[1] Part I., Nos. 709, 1069. [2] Wriothesley's Chronicle I. 64.
[3] Part II., Nos. 11, 22.

Newcastle, Durham, and even Berwick."[1] Thus the royal visit to the North was put off; and as for the Parliament which the rebels had been assured would be held at the same time to consider their grievances, nothing more was heard of it.

Only in one way did Henry seem at all disposed to make the least concession to popular feeling. On the subject of religion the Northern clergy had shown themselves so reactionary, that it was only natural that he should take counsel with his bishops, even if it led to some reconsideration of things already done. Here however, he conceded nothing that in any way touched himself. The Commons at Doncaster had demanded a complete reversal of the new Church policy, the suppression of Lutheran and Wycliffite heresies, the restoration of the supremacy of the see of Rome, the restoration of suppressed abbeys and of the suppressed Order of the Friars Observants.[2] To all such demands the King turned a very deaf ear; for as he had been supported by his Parliament and Council in the abolition of papal supremacy and suppression of monasteries he could say that the responsibility for these things did not rest with him. But as to heresies, that again was a question for others than himself, and if the Faith was at all in danger the bishops must consider it. For though the "Articles of Religion" put forth in the summer of 1536,[3] apart from the authority under

[1] No. 77. There was also a reason of a more private nature, which Norfolk was to keep to himself, viz., that the King had lately been visited with a "humor" in his leg—a sore which continued to trouble him for years afterwards, and probably never left him till his death; and the physicians did not advise him to travel far in the heat of the year. Henry's endeavours to keep this matter secret could hardly have been very successful, for it was known even in April that he did not go much abroad because he had a sore leg. *See* Part I., No. 1068.

[2] Vol. XI., Nos. 1182, 1244, and 1246. [3] Ib., No. 59.

which they were issued, seemed unobjectionable even to Reginald Pole,[1] yet they were criticised by some as to their omissions, for they only took notice of three sacraments instead of seven. There was also a considerable amount of discontent at the spread of new opinions touching Our Lady and Purgatory.[2]

The bishops were accordingly called together in February,[3] and had many a long and tedious discussion on points of doctrine. Some other divines were called along with them, among whom was the Scotchman Alesius, a combative Puritan whose contribution to the debate did not tend to general agreement.[4] A slight glimpse of the subjects of inquiry is given us in a letter of Dr. Coren written on the 24th March;[5] but the chief matter of difficulty seems to have been the four sacraments omitted in the book of articles of the year preceding. Later, however, the Archbishop of York was able to assure Dr. Dakyn that those four sacraments "be found again now, and the book shall be printed new again."[6] On the 12th May Husee writes to lord Lisle that the bishops were said to be "at a point;"[7] but their deliberations seem to have been continued till Tuesday the 17th July, when a new treatise on the fundamental truths of religion was approved and signed by the whole body of divines.[8] It was entitled *the Institution of a Christian Man*, and contained an exposition, first of the Apostles' Creed; 2. of the Seven Sacraments; 3. of the Ten Commandments, and 4, of the Lord's Prayer and the *Ave Maria*, with two articles on Justification and Purgatory reproduced with slight

[1] Vol. XI., No. 376. [2] Vol. XII., Part I., No. 70 i. [3] Part I., No. 457.

[4] *See* his own account of the proceedings in Part I., No. 790.

[5] Part I., No. 708.

[6] Ib., No. 789 (page 346). The article in Vol. XI., No. 60, doubtless belongs to the spring of 1537, not to the summer of 1536.

[4] Ib., No. 1187. [5] Part II., Nos. 289, 293, 295.

verbal differences from the "Articles" of the year preceding.

To Foxe bishop of Hereford was committed the task of writing a preface; but he desired to know in the first place whether the book was to go forth in the King's name or in that of the Bishops.[1] A rather important inquiry, for it seemed that though Henry had called the Bishops to deliberate he was desirous to leave to them the full responsibility of everything; and though he was asked in an address signed by the whole body of the divines to let it issue with the sanction of his royal authority,[2] he found it most convenient to temporise. The work was sent to press and was printed by the end of August,[3] and the King in reply to the Bishops wrote that he had no time to examine it satisfactorily, but trusting to their wisdoms agreed that it should be published and read to the people on Sundays and holidays for three years to come.[4] It was ultimately issued in the end of September, Cranmer giving orders about it to his clergy on the 10th in advance of its publication.[5]

It was not without justice, therefore, that *the Institution of a Christian Man* was commonly called "the Bishops' Book"—especially when it came to be superseded some years later by a book really authorised by the King himself. The printing of an English Bible, and the sanction given to its use next claims our notice."[6] But the documents connected with this matter are so well known that it is unnecessary to do more than mention it.

Meanwhile new arrangements had been made for the government of the North of England. Norfolk who had

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[1] No. 330. [2] No. 402. [3] No. 578.

[4] No. 618. *See* the text in Cranmer's Letters (Parker Soc.) 469.

[5] Nos. 703, 818, 834, 841. [6] Nos. 434, 512, 593, App. 35.

been long ill at ease and troubled with incessant attacks of diarrhœa, had been more and more urgent as time went on for his recall. A winter in that cold bleak country, he said, would kill him; but he was compelled to remain till he saw Aske executed at York, the people pacified or compelled to be content with an offer of pardon, and satisfactory arrangements made for the government of the Borders and of the country North of the Trent.[1] Even in August after much entreaty he was only spared from his post for a very brief visit to the King at Ampthill and to his own home at Kenninghall, and was back at Sheriffhutton before the end of the month.[2]

On the 5th September, attacked by new maladies, he wrote urgently desiring that Bishop Tunstall, who was to come and replace him, might be sent at once so that he might return by Michaelmas. Yet he was still to go on to Northumberland, where, he said, if the King of Scots performed his promises, he meant to take his leave of the country in such a fashion that malefactors should not desire his return.[3] He went to Newcastle and found Tynedale and Reedsdale "far out of order." He endeavoured in vain to persuade the King to remove the new officers there, but only succeeded, after some correspondence in extorting an acknowledgment that his complaints were not without foundation.[4] He at length turned Southward on the 28th September leaving the rule of Tynedale and Reedsdale in the same hands as before, and disappointed that he had not been able to minister such severities as he had intended; for very few prisoners were brought in to him, and only three were executed.[5]

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[1] Nos. 100, 102, 229, 238–9, 291. [2] Nos. 461, 479, 547, 588–90.
[3] No. 650. [4] Nos. 696, 712, 732, 741, 746. [5] Nos. 772, 823.

The constitution of the new Council of the North had of course been a matter of much deliberation, and various schemes were drawn up both for it and for the rule of the Borders.[1] The Bishop of Durham was appointed Lord President. He was not popular in the North, and there were other reasons urged against his appointment,[2] which indeed he himself could neither have wished nor apparently even expected;[3] but no better man could be found. Nor did he make such haste to enter upon his duties as Norfolk after his long endurance expected; who besides ill health and anxiety had yet a further reason for desiring the Bishop's coming to relieve him. "His purse," he wrote, "does "not feel that mine doth, which was empty a month "past, and am fain to live of borrowing."[4] Tunstall, however, at last arrived and wrote his first letters from York on the 15th October.[5] The names of the Council by whom he was supported will be seen in No. 914.

There could be no more danger of disturbance in England unless it came from abroad; and the failure of Pole's mission, owing to the unwillingness of either of the two belligerent powers on the continent to cause Henry to take part with his adversary,[6] seemed to give tolerable security in that matter. But circumstances changed from day to day. Francis, doubtful of the issue of his struggle with the Emperor, concluded a three years' truce with the Turk, thereby strengthening

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[1] Nos. 100, 102, 249, 250. [2] No. 651.

[3] Even on the 10th August, apparently, he had no thought of it. *See* No. 497.

[4] No. 828. [5] Nos. 915, 916.

[6] It was an astute piece of policy on the part of the Emperor's agents at Rome to cause the Pope to send him through France rather than through Flanders, that his very presence in the country might cause Henry to complain of Francis. Nos. 17, 18.

the enemy of Christendom against Germany and Italy, and seemed already to have some thoughts of withdrawing his lance-knights from Picardy to Piedmont.[1] The Emperor in Spain perceived the danger and saw that the chief difficulty of the struggle would be in Italy. Money, too, was failing in the Low Countries. So, although the Burgundians had recovered lost ground in Picardy, had captured Hédin, Montreuil, and St. Pol, and were on the eve of winning Thérouenne, suddenly, to the astonishment of all men, a ten months' truce was agreed to between France and Flanders.[2]

It was not a peace, and it was only between France and Flanders, leaving the war open in Piedmont and on the borders of Spain. But it could hardly have been agreeable to Henry, and little more than two months later we find him anxious to discover whether a regular peace was not in the wind, and—of course to prevent it—desirous to be himself the arbiter.[3] A peace between Francis and the Emperor would certainly have meant a European combination against himself which his nephew James in Scotland could have powerfully aided by an invasion of the Northern Counties. And even without support from abroad it was a great question whether he would not have found the business made easy for him by the cruel sense of wrong and tyranny among Henry's own subjects, who only hushed their griefs because no deliverer was at hand. Of this Henry himself, as we shall see, had very significant evidence.

On the 26th May Sir Thomas Clifford, captain of Berwick, wrote that Berwick Pursuivant, whom he had

[1] Nos. 17, 18, 46.

[2] Nos. 106, 107, 113, 125, 148, 244, 307–9, 327, 333, 366, 367, 371–3, 390–1, 419, 442, 464, 483.

[3] Nos. 832, 867–9.

sent into Scotland with letters from the King, had witnessed James's arrival with his French queen at Leith and his entry into Edinburgh, and that he had also spoken with an Englishman named James Crane who had come over with the fleet in the suite of the Vice-Admiral of France; that Crane had given the pursuivant a credence for Ralph Sadler "upon a token "that when the said Ralph Sadler was in France he "did inquire for the said James at his own house in "Rouen;" and the message was to the effect that on their passage Crane had landed near Scarborough to buy victuals for the company; that about twelve Englishmen had come aboard the Scotch king's ship and on their knees before him had thanked God for his safety, saying they had long looked for him as they were oppressed and slain, and promising that if he would make descent upon England "he should have all." At another town also some distance Southward (it should have been Northward) 10 Englishmen had gone on board James's vessel and said much the same thing. Further on in the voyage, moreover, James himself had said that if he lived one year more, he hoped to break a spear on one Englishman's breast. Crane, who was a willing informer, said he was anxious to declare everything to the King himself; but as to the second town from which men came on board he could only tell that it had a church dedicated to St. Andrew, and that the parson was one of the King's chaplains.[1]

Such weighty information was of course not lost sight of. Crane immediately afterwards returned to France with the Vice-Admiral, and a servant of lord Lisle's waited upon him at Rouen.[2] No further

[1] Pt. I., No. 1286. [2] Pt. II., No. 122.

information, however, could be extracted from him until he was taken to England, where he was committed to the care of another servant of Lisle's, John Husee, whose entertaining letters fill up many details of our knowledge of this period, and who was sent by Cromwell to Calais to bring him over.[1] Without delay he was sent down to the duke of Norfolk at Sheriffhutton, who at first would not believe his statements, but after sending him with an escort along the whole seacoast from Flamborough to Tynemouth, he identified a village near the latter place (Whitburn) as the locality; and there no doubt the church was dedicated to St. Andrew, and the incumbent, Dr. Marshall, was the King's chaplain, though it was only his priest that was really implicated. Crane was only about 60 miles out of his reckoning—not wonderful in a long voyage; and having brought the charge home to the priest and set Norfolk on the tracks of the other persons implicated, he was allowed to go back to France again with the King's pardon. By the time he had got back the priest and two sailors whom he had accused were hung in chains.[2]

It was clear that James of Scotland was by no means friendly to his uncle, and that unless restrained by considerations of policy he might easily have been tempted to make some attempt at invasion. But a sudden domestic blow compelled him immediately to consider his own position and alliances before attempting an aggressive policy. After only half a year of married life his young queen Mâdeleine died; and with whatever grief he mourned her loss James, like other sovereigns of the age, at once took the matter into consideration from a political point of view. He

[1] Nos. 136, 270.

[2] Nos. 291, 340, 422, 431, 479, 555 (p. 210), 625, 732, 796 (1).

despatched a secretary into France, partly, it would seem, to know if the pension he had from that country was to be continued to him now that his wife was dead, partly to see what terms he could make with Francis as to a second French marriage.[1] Norfolk, who does not seem to have suspected the chief object of the secretary's instructions, weakly supposed that if not satisfied with the reply he got from France about money matters James would make overtures for a cordial understanding with England, and perhaps for a marriage with the princess Mary. Nothing was really less in James's thoughts. Ever since his return from France he had been getting ready ordnance at Dunbar, Tantallon, and elsewhere, and paying stealthy visits by night to the former place where the stores of war were accumulated. The English party in his realm were entirely out of favour, and the Lady Glammis, sister of the earl of Angus, was burnt in Edinburgh for treason.[2] There was not the smallest rub in the French alliance. Langeac, bishop of Limoges, a very able diplomatist who had gone to Scotland with James, had doubtless done his best to promote it. He returned to his own country through England in August, along with David Beton, abbot of Arbroath, so well known afterwards as Cardinal Archbishop of St. Andrews; and Henry was mortified to find from his intercourse with them that James was entirely devoted to the interests of France. The results of their negociations with Francis very soon became apparent, and before James had been three months a widower it was known even in England that he was engaged to Mary of Guise, widow of the Duke of Longueville.[3]

[1] Nos. 332, 370, 539.

[2] Nos. 346–7.

[3] Nos. 422, 430, 525, 566, 614, 829. Beton's abilities as a negociator were recognised by Francis, who by his influence with the Pope got him promoted on the 5th December to the bishopric of Mirepoix. No. 1176.

To turn, however, to domestic events. The summer in England was very unhealthy. The sweating sickness had reappeared in all its old severity. In July a servant of Cromwell's named Bold fell sick of it, and the Queen being alarmed, it was thought prudent for the time that the Minister should only meet his sovereign out in the fields while hunting.[1] So also Cranmer durst not visit the King to report the proceedings of the Bishops who themselves were anxious to disperse and be out of the way of danger.[2] Tunstall also feared even to send a messenger from Laleham to Cromwell.[3] The assizes in Devonshire and Cornwall had to be put off;[4] the term in London was adjourned;[5] and the lord Admiral Fitzwilliam proposed to discharge for two or three months the workmen engaged on the King's new ship at Portsmouth.[6]

Among prominent men swept off during the month of September were Thomas Bedyll (a sycophant clergyman, whose letters in this and previous volumes remain to his eternal shame), John Whalley, Controller of the Mint, and Mr. Justice Englefield,[7] whose deaths were probably due to the prevailing scourge. The utmost anxiety prevailed at Hampton Court, where the Queen was expecting her confinement. Ralph Sadler who was in attendance there, had to leave when one of his servants fell ill of a complaint not clearly ascertained at the moment, and, following the King's advice, he repaired to his house at Hackney instead of going to his wife at Lessness in Kent.[8]

On the 12th October the Queen (Jane Seymour) gave birth to a son "conceived in lawful matrimony" as it was curiously intimated in circulars drawn up

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[1] No 242. [2] No. 293. [3] No. 497. [4] No. 690.
[5] Nos. 812, 839, 847. [6] No. 794. [7] Nos. 646–9, 770, 813. [8] No. 821.

in her name to announce the fact.[1] The christening was arranged for Monday the 15th, but the presence of several noble persons was dispensed with on account of the prevailing plague. Among these were the marchioness dowager of Dorset, who had been appointed to bear the Prince in her arms, and her son-in-law—lord Maltravers, as three or four persons died daily at Croydon, where they were staying; also the young marquis of Dorset and his wife.[2] Proclamations were sent out to forbid the access of anyone to the Court without special letters from the King or some of his Council.[3] Bonfires, however, were made in every street and guns shot day and night in honour of the auspicious birth; nor does the christening appear to have been shorn of much of its splendour by the necessary absence of some who had been in the way of contagion. The child, having been born on the eve of St. Edward's day, received the name of Edward.[4]

A distribution of honours followed on St. Luke's day—the sixth day after the Prince's birth, when lord Beauchamp, the Queen's brother, was made earl of Hertford, and Sir William Fitzwilliam earl of Southampton; six gentlemen being at the same time dubbed knights.[5] Here, however, there was certainly some diminution of the ordinary pomp; and we read "The "earl of Southampton was created after the said earl "of Hertford for default of estates present in their "robes to accompany them both at once."

[1] No. 889. Being a male child he would, of course, have taken precedence both of Mary and Elizabeth, even if they had been regarded as legitimate; so that the expression was quite unnecessary except to give additional emphasis to the King's own view of the character of his two previous marriages. The circulars might indeed have been prepared before the birth, when the sex of the child was still uncertain; but there is no appearance of the word "Prince" in Nero C. x. 1, having been written in a blank.

[2] Nos. 891–3, 905. [3] No. 894. [4] No. 911. [5] Nos. 939, 946.

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Thus, except for the slight shadow cast by the pestilence out of doors, all was rejoicing and merriment for a few days. But within a fortnight of the event occurred a sudden change. On the morning of Wednesday the 24th information was sent to Cromwell by a letter signed by the earl of Rutland, the bishop of Carlisle, and three Court physicians, that the Queen, who was still very weak from her long and painful labor,[1] had the previous day shown some symptoms of amendment, but had passed a very bad night, and that her confessor was preparing to administer extreme unction.[2] As the day wore on, however, some slight hopes were entertained of her recovery[3]; but in the evening the duke of Norfolk wrote to Cromwell that his presence was urgently desired at Hampton Court, as there was now little prospect of her living more than a few hours, and it was doubtful whether she would be alive even at the delivery of the letter.[4] She actually passed away about midnight.[5]

It was arranged that she should be buried at Windsor;[6] and we have a full account of the funeral, which took place on the 12th November, as well as of all the preceding rites.[7]

Immediately after the birth of the Prince, Sir John Dudley was despatched into Spain to inform the Emperor of the event.[8] This, at least, was the ostensible object of his mission, though it certainly was not the only one. He was directed to take his way through France, but he had no mission to Francis, who was then at Grenoble on the point of departure for Piedmont.[9] He was to take advantage of the friendly relations

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[1] *See* Anstis' Register of the Garter, ii. 410. [2] No. 970.

[3] Nos. 977, 988. No. 977 ought clearly to have been inserted between Nos. 970 and 971. [4] No. 971. [5] No. 1060.

[6] Nos. 1012, 1023. [7] No. 1060. [8] No. 950. [9] No. 967.

between England and France for his safe passage, though he had certainly not earned the good opinion of all Frenchmen by the manner in which he had recently kept the seas in his commission to protect the English neutrality.[1] His secret instructions, moreover, although we only know their contents by inference, were certainly not friendly to the country he passed through. On his arrival at Boulogne some Bretons, whose ships he had seized as pirates, assailed him with petitions for compensation; but Du Biez, captain of Boulogne, coming out of the castle, beat them with his sword, "that it would have pitied a man to have seen it," and threw them into a dungeon. On the 24th he arrived at Paris, where he heard that Francis was on the point of crossing the mountains.[2] Early in November he reached the Emperor's Court, and was admitted to an audience along with the resident ambassador, Sir Thomas Wyatt.

To the announcement of the birth of the Prince the Emperor had nothing to say but what might have been expected. He was all courtesy, and was no less glad of the event than of an addition to his own family that had occurred yet more recently. He could have wished, indeed, that the child had been of his own blood by Katharine, but he had the highest regard for the King's last marriage and wished the infant long life. The ambassadors then declared "the stature and goodli-" ness of the child, and who were the godfathers and " godmothers;" after which Dudley took the opportunity of regretting that the Emperor had made no better answer to the King's overtures for mediation with France. The insinuation which this remark seemed to convey that the Emperor was not inclined to peace was certainly very ill-timed, for as a matter of fact, as Dudley

[1] Nos. 393, 416, 439, 535, 563, 577, 595. [2] No. 987.

doubtless was aware, he was even then expecting the return of an ambassador from the French King upon the subject, and arrangements were really going on much faster than Henry had any desire to see them. But Dudley, as a new comer, had perhaps some excuse for pretending ignorance of this; and his colleague Wyatt immediately followed up his observations with some of his own. "Sire," he remarked, "undoubtedly "my fellow Mr. Dudley here hath the like commandment "as I had to treat in this overture of peace; howbeit, "I think the matter is already so far forward between "your Majesty and the French King at Velly's last "being here, that the King my master shall not need "to travail further. But though I am sure the King "my master will be glad to hear of a peace (for there "is nothing that he desires more) yet I am in doubt "how his Majesty will conceive it, seeing the overture "of mediation that he made was not otherwise "embraced."[1]

It was easy for the Emperor to meet this with perfect candour. "Mr. Ambassador," he said, "at the last time "you were with me for this matter, truth it is I did "not so frankly utter my mind to you as I will do "now." He then said that one Cornelius (Scepperus) and another envoy had been sent to him by his sister in Flanders through France at the time the war was still going on in Picardy, and that they had brought with them a message from the French King of his willingness to consider terms of peace. He had made answer to Francis in a like spirit by the same envoys, and the French King had sent him De Velly, who would have made terms for the rescue of Therouenne, which the Emperor refused. Negotiations, however,

[1] No. 1053. *See* the correction in "Notes and Errata."

were kept open till De Velly's return, which was to have been on the 5th October, though he had not yet arrived;[1] but the Emperor had bound himself to keep the matter of their conferences secret till he came.[2].

Thus Henry's officious mediation was, with the most perfect courtesy, set aside. The English ambassadors could only object that there was no great appearance of peace on the part of France, when the French king was at that moment crossing with a great army into Piedmont, whither his Grand Master had already forced his way and won the passages. The Emperor replied that he did not think the French could do much there as the marquis of Guasto had 30,000 Spaniards and Italians, all well disciplined soldiers. Nothing more could be made of this subject, and Wyatt asked particulars about the General Council, that he might certify the King. The Emperor said the Venetians had offered to allow it to be held at Vicenza at the beginning of next year, and he would see that nothing was done to the King's prejudice. Wyatt answered that he feared the receiving of "the bishop of Rome" might occasion the excluding of the King. "Why," said Charles, "if the King have his purpose, "what harm in having a friend rather than an enemy? "A sick man cannot be cured at once." This the

[1] Dudley's inaccuracies in this report are a little perplexing. He makes the Emperor say that De Velly's return "should have been the 5th day *of this last* October, and now it is the 10th." The date of the audience was certainly not the 10th October when Dudley had not yet left England, nor yet the 10th November, although the expression "this last October" might be taken to refer to a past month, for De Velly actually arrived on Wednesday the 31st October (*see* p. 369). As Dudley was at Paris on the 25th, and no doubt made all the haste he could, we may perhaps date the audience on the 29th or 30th. It would seem, moreover, from the second paper (pp. 368—9), that De Velly must have arrived either the first or second day after their interview with the Emperor.

[2] No. 1053.

ambassadors construed as a reflection on their nation. "We do not feel sick," they said, "but of a long sickness healed." Oh, the Emperor, meant nothing of the sort; the King was not the patient but the physician. But the Emperor would do his best to serve him.[1]

Next day and the day after they had some conferences with Granvelle, both about the peace and the General Council, in which the Imperialist took occasion to point out of how great advantage the Council would be to the King himself and his succession, seeing that he had not divided himself from the Faith and the Emperor had promised to justify his proceedings about *Annates* and other matters. Meanwhile De Velly arrived on Wednesday 31st October. He was in close conference with Covos and Granvelle on the following day, and the English ambassadors did not learn the result till Saturday 3rd November. They were then informed that a three months' truce had been agreed to, which was to be proclaimed in both camps on the 27th; and that with a view to further arrangements, Covos and Granvelle were to be at Perpignan on the 17th December, while the Grand Master of France and the Cardinal of Lorraine were to be the same day at Narbonne; and further that during the month the Emperor was to be at Barcelona and the French King at Montpellier.[2] The truce, however was not actually signed till the 16th November.[3]

In returning homewards Dudley was stayed for some days at Lyons by the French Council, who would give him no further reason for his detention except that it was their master's command, but promised to write to Francis about it. A messenger of bishop Gardiner

[1] No. 1053. [2] Ib., *see also* No. 1203. [3] No. 1104.

was also stayed, and Dudley supposed that their object was to delay news. A report reached Lyons at the same time that Wyatt had been arrested in Spain, but it was certainly unfounded. Although Charles understood well enough the true meaning of Henry's officious offers of mediation,[1] it was not the object either of him or Francis to be uncivil to England's representatives. Henry himself wrote to Wyatt to thank the Emperor for his kind treatment of Sir John Dudley[2]; and Francis wrote to his ambassador in England to explain that Dudley's detention at Lyons was the result of a general order that all couriers should pass by himself, or that he at least should be informed about their transit—a gentle rebuke to Henry for the want of courtesy shown in the way Dudley had passed through France before.[3]

We must now turn to Henry's dealings with France.

About the same time that he despatched Sir John Dudley to the Emperor he probably also despatched lord William Howard to Francis for the same purpose —to announce the birth of his son. We know nothing of this mission, however, before the date of a letter of Cromwell to lord William himself and bishop Gardiner containing the news of the Queen's death;[4] at which time apparently lord William was already in France, though he had been in England at the Prince's christening.[5] The letter begins, "after most hearty commendations," to prepare them for a sad piece of intelligence, and then goes on to say:—"Our Prince, Our Lord be "thanked, is in good health, and sucketh like a child "of his puissance, which you, my lord William, can "declare. Our mistress, through the fault of them "that were about her, which suffered her to take

[1] *See* P.S. in No. 1143. [2] No. 1249. [3] No. 1253.
[4] No. 1004. [5] No. 611.

"great cold and to eat things that her fantasy in "sickness called for, is departed to God."[1] This news they were to communicate to the French King, while at the same time they were to make some secret inquiries on Henry's behalf, the motives of which are set forth as follows:—

"And forasmuch as, though his Majesty is not anything disposed to marry again, albeit his Highness, God be thanked, taketh this chance as a man that by reason with force overcometh his affection may take such an extreme adventure, yet, as sundry of his Grace's Council here have thought it meet for us to be most humble suitors to his Majesty to consider the state of his realm, and to enter eftsoons into another matrimony in place for his Highness' satisfaction convenient, so his tender zeal to his subjects hath already so much overcome his Grace's said disposition and framed his mind both to be indifferent to the thing and to the election of any person from any part that with deliberation shall be thought meet for him, that, as we live in hope that his Grace will again couple himself to our comforts, so considering what personages in Christendom be meet for him, amongst the rest there be two in France that may be thought on. The one is the French King's daughter,[2] which, as it is said, is not the meetest. The other is Madame de Longueville, whom they say the King of Scots doth desire. Of whose conditions and qualities in every point his Majesty desireth you both, with all your dexterity and good means to inquire; and likewise in what point and terms the said King of Scots standeth towards either of them: which his Highness is so desirous to know (his Grace's desire therein to be, nevertheless, in anywise kept secret to yourselves) that his pleasure is that you, my lord William, shall not return till you may learn both how the King of Scots standeth in his suit, and what the condition and qualities of both persons be."

The reader will probably not require much assistance to estimate the sincerity of a State Paper such as this. But the language of diplomacy here has only to be translated according to some very obvious rules, to yield up its real meaning, for there was no intention of disguising anything from the persons actually addressed. The statement that the King was not particularly disposed to marry again was doubtless

[1] State Papers, VIII. 1. [2] Margaret, afterwards Duchess of Savoy.

not far from the truth. He was not intensely eager for a fourth wife in the earliest days of his bereavement. But as a politician the first thought that occurred to him was that his loss was a real gain. His Council could easily be got to press him to a new marriage for the good of the realm; and he could once more trouble the waters of European diplomacy by hinting to rival courts that he was open to a new engagement. Moreover, he was on a par now with James V., who had also become a widower lately, and if matters had not gone too far in the arrangements for James' second marriage, Francis might perhaps break them off, or alienate James by showing some disposition to break them off, in order that Mary of Guise might be given to a more powerful ally. The ambassadors were simply to pick up any information that might be useful to the King in playing such a game.

What information they supplied to him as the result of their inquiries we do not know. But, whatever it was, it did not restrain him from his attempt to trouble the waters. Indeed, it would almost appear that without waiting for their report, he began to broach the subject to Castillon, the French ambassador in England, and talked of two or three ladies in France among whom one might be found to suit him. An answer was despatched from the French court to Castillon on this subject on the 6th November; and on the 25th, Bochetel, the French secretary of finance, wrote to him further that Henry's matrimonial projects had given Francis no little amusement. The English, he said, wanted to treat women like horses,—trot them out to see which went best; but he certainly could not approve of his own daughter being put in

the row with the others.[1] On the 11th December, however, Francis himself wrote to Castillon, in answer to some new overtures on the subject made to the ambassador by Cromwell, that he should consider himself highly honoured if Henry took a wife in his Kingdom, and no lady would be refused to him except Madame de Longueville, whose marriage with the King of Scots had been already fully agreed upon.[2] It would seem, however, by a confidential letter from Bochetel written the same day that Francis still resented the fact of his daughter being put in comparison with the others; but it was important to keep the king of England in good humour, as the truce just concluded with the Emperor was no guarantee for a secure peace.[3]

That truce had been to Henry, of course, a grievous disappointment, and his main object now was to foment the jealousies on either side, which alone stood in the way of a perfect settlement. It was not easy doing this through the medium of ambassadors abroad; but the French ambassador in England had his weak side, and Henry understood him pretty well, having had already some experience of him in his previous embassy four years before.[4] At the first news of the truce and the peace negociations the King's alarm was probably too great to be concealed—at all events Castillon saw it plainly. After some days, however, he seemed much more comfortable—in fact, both he and his Council had recovered their spirits amazingly. Henry himself explained the cause quite frankly. The

[1] No. 1125. [2] No. 1201. [3] No. 1202.

[4] It is unfortunate that this ambassador, the Sieur de Castillon, was wrongly identified in vols. VI. and VII. with the celebrated Gaspard de Coligny, Sieur de Châtillon. The mistake, which is an old one, is corrected by Kaulek.

Emperor had given him full assurance that whatever meetings took place between his ambassadors and those of Francis, nothing should be concluded without Henry's being informed of it. The English, therefore, were in no fear of being altogether abandoned, as at first they had fully expected to be; at which time, Castillon believed they would have given a good deal of money either to Francis or to the Emperor to prevent an accommodation. But now, it seemed, the Emperor was drawing nearer to England unsolicited, Henry was going to send a gentleman to the Emperor in return, and to all appearance the peace conferences would settle nothing whatever.[1]

Henry perhaps affected a somewhat higher degree of satisfaction than he really felt. The assurances he had received from the Emperor were probably nothing more than those given to Sir John Dudley in conversation, which he reported on his return home.[2] No doubt the King was relieved to be assured that the Emperor would include him as principal contrahent in any treaty made with France; but it was not exactly true that the Emperor had given such a pledge unsolicited. Sir John Dudley had procured it, and for all we know it was but breath—mere spoken words, not written ones. The value of the English alliance had fallen in the market, but mutual suspicion forbade either Charles or Francis to drop it entirely until a complete settlement was obtained. And Henry had now got material enough to enable him to fan the flames. Castillon was quite persuaded that the Emperor had been soliciting Henry's friendship, and he was rather puzzled how to act when he received letters from Francis written at Lourmarin on the 11th December,

[1] Nos. 1285–6. [2] No. 1249.

directing him to "entertain" the king of England, as the saying was—that is to say, keep him in play and humour him as much as possible until everything was arranged. Could Francis have realised how matters stood? Henry was not the man to be so easily managed as that.[1]

On considering the matter Castillon thought it best to inform the King that although Francis was sending the Cardinal of Lorraine and the Grand Master to Narbonne to learn what the Emperor's deputies would say, he did not mean to negociate anything to Henry's disadvantage, but was determined to remain his perpetual ally, and if necessary to renew the treaties offensive and defensive between them. This he hoped would assure Henry that Francis, even if he were in hope of peace with the Emperor and quite unconscious of the Emperor's secret intrigues, had no intention of deserting England. Henry waited four days before making answer to this, and did not do so without much consultation. He said it was reported that the Scotch king was going to make war upon him, and that Castillon was only playing their game that he might be taken unprepared. The ambassador did his best to remove these suspicions, and considered that he had partly succeeded. In fact Henry showed himself so well disposed that he not only acknowledged the good will of Francis but was quite willing at once to have renewed the ancient amity if Castillon had only had powers to negociate. He said he had written to the Bishop of Winchester (Gardiner, who was then in France) to declare his mind to Francis. "And you will greatly please him," writes Castillon to his sovereign, "by intimating that you will conclude

[1] No. 1285.

" nothing about the Council without letting him know, " for he has repeated this to me twice."[1]

Thus Castillon wrote from London on the 30th December; and, curiously enough, on that very day Francis wrote to him a letter from Montpellier,[2] which showed clearly that even if the Emperor had approached Henry with new proposals it was nothing more than what Francis had been endeavouring to do himself. Influenced by Henry's proposals for a French wife, he had commissioned Castillon to solicit a renewal of the offensive and defensive alliance long before, and had since been balancing carefully in his own mind the comparative advantages of an English or an Imperial alliance; and it was only for want of a distinct reply to his proposals on the part of England that he was now inclined to close with the Emperor, with whom, as he very naturally remarked, he could not remain continually at war if England, under pretence of neutrality, continually favoured his rival. In any case, however, he desired to remain friends with Henry, and the only difficulty was about the General Council, which the Imperialists were so anxious to bring about. On that subject he was keeping matters open as much as possible until he knew Henry's intention. If Henry was willing to aid him against the Emperor on condition of his getting the General Council put off he must let him know secretly as soon as possible. To this point had diplomacy come between England and France at the end of the year 1537.

Castillon, however, could not satisfy Henry with regard to his proposed French match. He was for ever harping upon Madame de Longueville. He would take no assurance

[1] No. 1285. [2] No. 1290.

that her marriage with the King of Scots had been definitely arranged. He would not believe, even though her father the Duke of Guise had sworn to it and settled the matter with the abbot of Arbroath, that the lady herself had consented to it; and when the Ambassador in amazement said, "Would you marry another man's wife?" he said he knew well that she herself had not spoken. Castillon must make inquiry for him whether the match could not even yet be broken off, and he would do more for Francis than the King of Scots could.[1]

Yet for all this he was by no means so "amorous of Madame de Longueville" as Castillon reported; for he had just been getting John Hutton to inquire for him in the Netherlands whether there could be found a suitable wife for him at the Court of Mary of Hungary. On the 4th December Hutton had reported the qualities of three or four ladies there, one of whom was the widowed duchess of Milan, daughter of Christiern II. the deposed king of Denmark by the Emperor's sister Isabella. Hutton had not seen her, but she was said to be "a goodly personage and of excellent beauty." A few days later she came to the Court, and Hutton wrote that she was only sixteen, a maiden widow, as it was supposed (and plausibly enough, for if her age was correctly reckoned she had been married at thirteen and left a widow at fourteen), that she was very tall "and competent of beauty, of favor excellent and "very gentle in countenance." Her complexion was not so pale as that of Henry's late queen. It was true there had been some talk of marrying her to William duke of Ravenstein, son and heir to the duke of Cleves, but that depended entirely upon the Emperor's

[1] No. 1285.

pleasure.[1] Hutton was distinctly of opinion that she would make an excellent match for the King,[2] and we shall see in the next volume of this Calendar that his advice was not altogether unheeded.

One other important feature of foreign politics it would be wrong to pass over in silence, seeing that it dominated the entire European situation. Throughout the whole of 1537 the dread of the Turk in Italy, Hungary, and elsewhere was particularly acute. Early in the year he had already sent orders to the Basha of Bosnia to move an army against the strong fortress of Clissa in Dalmatia and was also collecting a fleet at La Valona in Albania exactly opposite the heel of Italy.[3] Francis had opened negotiations with him as a means of harassing the Emperor, and he had compelled the Venetians to declare against him, refusing to allow of their neutrality.[4] Clissa fell, though it was thought impregnable.[5] The Turks ravaged Sclavonia and penetrated into Hungary.[6] It was a slight comfort only that the Sophi was assailing them at the same time in Mesopotamia.[7]

The alarm at Rome was serious.[8] News came in June that the Turkish fleet was anchored off Apuglia,[9] but the intelligence may have been premature. In July reports were daily expected of their landing in Italy, for besides the fleet at La Valona a great army had arrived there by land.[10] Andrea Doria and his ships were not inactive and took several of their galleys. Some vessels of the Knights of Rhodes gave

[1] Nos. 1187–8. *See* the text of these letters in the State Papers.
[2] No. 1243. [3] Part I., No. 310.
[4] Ib., Nos. 358, 524, 562, 762, 772, 873, 1144, 1262.
[5] Ib., Nos. 763, 1190 (2); Part II. 17, 18. [6] Part I., Nos. 924, 986.
[7] Ib., No. 1190 (2); Part II., No. 1127. [8] Part I., No. 989.
[9] Part II., No. 103. [10] No. 312.

also efficient assistance.[1] Nevertheless the enemy made good their landing in Italy, and after fruitlessly besieging Otranto took Castro.[2] They also took Corfu from the Venetians.[3] In Hungary, too, on the 2nd October they were able give the troops of Ferdinand a disastrous defeat near Buda.[4] But on the 1st September a triple league was formed against them by the Pope, the Emperor, and Venice, who were very soon afterwards joined by the Genoese;[5] and though the Venetians in particular felt the grievous interruption of trade, the end of the year found them busy in their arsenal in the building and equipment of 200 galleys.[6]

Some other matters still demand our attention. And first of all a word or two more seem to be requisite about Cardinal Pole's abortive mission. Pole himself at Cambray on the 18th May had reported to Rome the completeness of his failure, and the apparant uselessness, besides personal danger to himself, of his remaining in those parts; and he asked instructions whether to leave or stay.[7] He could not remain at Cambray in safety, but might find a refuge within the diocese of Liege; and though at first his best friends at queen Mary's Court could only suggest his going thither in disguise, he afterwards received intimation that the Regent would send an escort to conduct him from Cambray to Liege in safety. Yet even with this aid the journey seems to have been a troublesome one, and it was only on the 10th June that he was able to report that he had arrived "much tempest-tossed"

[1] Nos. 320, 510. [2] Nos. 510, 524.

[3] Nos. 730, 750, 825. They do not appear, however, to have held it long, and did not succeed in obtaining possession of the citadel.

[4] Nos. 819, 1020. [5] No. 1040. [6] No. 1217. [7] Part I., Nos. 1242-3.

at his haven of refuge. He remained at Liege during June, July, and the better part of August, when he received letters from Rome instructing him to return thither. He got as far as Trent when he received further letters, which should have been delivered to him at Liege from the papal prothonotary Ambrosius, superseding previous orders and leaving it to his own judgment whether to winter there or come back to Italy. It was too late, of course, now to do anything but push on. He reached Rome in October and was received on his return in a special Consistory by the Cardidals, to whom he gave a full report of his unsuccessful legation on the 19th.[1]

He himself was thus safe from Henry's power; but his relations were not, and neither were his dependents. How bitterly his mother felt the fact that he had displeased the King was shown in the last preface.[2] The letters he received from her and from his brother, lord Montague, before he went to Rome in 1536, almost turned him from his purpose, and made him go back to England instead, fearing, doubtless, what actually occurred sometime after, that his family would be made to suffer for his offence.[3] But the first thoughts of the King and Cromwell were how to inveigle him into their power by means of his own trusty servant, Michael Throgmorton, the man by whom he had sent his book to England. They despatched him back again at once with those insidious letters to his master which invited him to come home and discuss matters in a friendly way with the King;[4] but they made him promise to return at once to England himself whether his master would come or no.[5] The master, of course,

[1] Part II., Nos. 71–73, 169, 311–12, 499, 510, 559, 791, 944, 949.
[2] Page xxxvi.
[3] Vol. XI., No. 654.
[4] Vol. X., No. 1093; Vol. XI., No. 91.
[5] Vol. XI., No. 229.

refused to return, and the man seems to have delayed fulfilment of his promise as long as he conveniently could. At the end of the year, however, he was definitely expected in England; and even the bishop of Faenza in France knew that he was on his way thither.[1] Well aware that he was on a dangerous mission, he was still resolved to do his duty. But he was taken by the French at Montreuil before he reached Calais, and detained as a prisoner; and Cromwell had to write to the English ambassadors in France to procure his delivery.[2] He was handed over to the English authorities, and early in January 1537 was conveyed to England.[3]

Before he left Rome he had besought his master that if he were really created Cardinal the fact might not be published until he, Throgmorton, had returned to Rome, otherwise it might cost him his life.[4] The delay in his journey was unfortunate. Pole's creation as Cardinal had actually taken place on the 22nd December, and the fact must have been known in England almost, if not quite, as early as he arrived there.[5] And here was he, Pole's servant, in the hands of Henry VIII. at a time when the King was exasperated by having been obliged to make terms with the Northern rebels. Worse still, his brother, Sir George Throgmorton, was at that time actually in the Tower along with one Sir William Essex, to whom he had unluckily lent a copy of one of Aske's manifestoes.[6] It behoved him to use the very utmost discretion for more sakes than his own; and luckily for him

[1] Vol. XI., Nos. 1250, 1297.

[2] Vol. XI., Nos. 1250, 1297, 1363, 1379. No. 4 at the beginning of the volume should apparently have been placed in December.

[3] Vol. XII., Part I., Nos. 34, 86. [4] Part I., No. 88.

[5] Perhaps a little later, for Wallop writes of it as a piece of news at Paris on the 9th January. No. 53.

[6] Vol. XI., Nos. 1405–6; Vol. XII., Part I., No. 86.

the King's anxieties at the moment outweighed the desire of vengeance. He was, after all, the bearer of a message from his master, and Henry, on careful consideration, doubtless, thought it best that he should return with his answer. He might possibly be able to divert Pole from his intended mission to encourage rebellion in the North. So Michael Throgmorton once more went his way, pledged, apparently, to dissuade his master from any enterprise that might be obnoxious to the King, and to return once more to England as soon as he had done his best. To the great relief of the Nuncio in France, who was anxious at not hearing from him, he arrived at Paris on the 26th January.[1] On the 13th February he reached Rome.[2] On the second day after his arrival he wrote both to Cromwell and to Richard Morison, a member of Cromwell's household and author of a celebrated treatise in defence of Henry VIII.'s severities, to show what he had done to redeem his pledges. He had found his master "in very strange apparel," as the news before he left England had led him to expect. He had remonstrated with him on his acceptance of the Cardinalate without the King's consent. Pole said he had written to justify himself on this point to the King's Council; that he had declined to accept the dignity until he was sure that refusing it would have been resisting the will of God; but that if the King would be reconciled to the Church and renounce his new title of supreme head, he, Pole, would obtain the Pope's leave to renounce his dignity of Cardinal, become a hermit and burn his book, promising to write nothing more against the King's mind and pleasure, but use all his gifts to the promotion of peace in England.

[1] Part I., Nos. 86, 88, 249, 296, 313, 326. [2] Part I., Nos. 429–30.

His mission as legate, however, had been quite determined on, and Throgmorton was unable to do anything to stop it. He added that he feared his master was too little a man of the world and those who sent him thought of nothing but their own profit.[1]

Of course, whatever pledges had been extracted from him, he took care not to go back to England; but he accompanied his master to Cambray and Liege. In May the English Ambassador at Brussels had heard that Pole intended to send him to England as soon as he himself was settled at Liege, and even that he had actually gone thither;[2] but the report was certainly untrue. His long evasion of his promise naturally drew down upon him a message of reproof from Cromwell, which he answered at length on the 20th August from Liege. He had written to Cromwell, it seems, pretty early after leaving Rome, and had expected an answer at Paris; but receiving none he presumed Cromwell was satisfied with his excuses, and Pole, whom he continually speaks of as "this man" without naming him, had declined to despatch him into England. At Cambray he had found himself in danger from the King's procurement, and he thought it best to wait for further letters from Cromwell. Moreover the delay seemed justified by the statements he had been able to elicit from Pole touching his mission as legate, who was anxious to show the forbearance he had exercised all along in not publishing the censures prematurely. But if the King insisted on treating him as a rebel, Pole said that he might be constrained to show the world what sort of a rebel he was, and for what reasons. The Cardinal was now recalled to Italy to take part in the General Council appointed for the 1st November; and

[1] Part I., Nos. 429–430. [2] Part I., No. 1293.

it was much to be feared that they would afterwards publish the censures, get him to print his book and then send ambassadors to the different Christian Powers for a general combination against England. Under the circumstances Throgmorton said that he thought he could still do good service by remaining with his master, who, he felt convinced, had no other object in view than Henry's honour and profit.[1]

This letter to Cromwell he despatched under cover to John Hutton the English Ambassador at Brussels with a credence for the messenger to explain his mind more fully by word of mouth.[2] The message was to the effect that if the King desired to stay the publication of the censures, the best way would be to send his chaplain Dr. Wilson over to Flanders and he would persuade Pole to go and meet him at Maestricht before his departure to Rome, when terms might possibly be arranged. To this Cromwell drew up a reply that he had laid the suggestion before the King, and although his Highness counted for nothing all that the Bishop of Rome's malice might do, yet, out of regard for Pole, whom he had brought up from his cradle, he had acquiesced in the proposal. Indeed, he rather improved upon it; for a commission was presently drawn up for Dr. Wilson and Nicholas Heath jointly to go over and confer with the Cardinal (whom, however, they were never to address by that title) and to endeavour to induce him to write a submissive letter to the King, give up the draft of his "frantic book," and repair personally to England to make his submission.[3]

The scheme, however, could hardly have been well formed when it was laid aside; and the reply Cromwell actually sent to Throgmorton was of quite a different

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[1] Part II., No. 552. [2] No. 553. [3] Nos. 619, 620.

tenor.[1] "I thought," the letter began, "that the singular "goodness of the King's Highness showed unto you, "and the great and singular clemency showed to that "detestable traitor, your master, in promising him not "only forgiveness, but also forgetting of his most "shameful ingratitude, unnaturalness, conspiracy against "his honour, of whom he hath received no more but "as much and all that he hath,—I thought, I say, that "either this princely goodness might have brought that "desperate rebel from his so sturdy malice, blindness, "and pervicacie, or else have encouraged you to be "his Highness's true and faithful subject." But no (we must condense the rest), I might have judged "that "so dishonest a master could have but even such "servants as you are." Loyalty and treason dwell seldom together. "You could not, all this season, "have been a spy for the King, but at some time "your countenance should have declared your heart to "be loyal," — in short, Throgmorton was an utterly abandoned scoundrel because he was really serving his master and not acting as a spy upon him for the King. And after some further virulence, significant hints are thrown out that "one brainsick Poole, or to say better, one witless fool," would be "the ruin of so great a family;" that if Pole did publish his work honest men would offer themselves "to revenge this so enorme unkindness," and that even in Italy ways might be found "to rid a traitorous subject."

In short the King, who for a moment had entertained the idea of sending some one to confer with Pole, hoping thereby to defer the censures and prevent the

[1] It is clear that No. 795, though placed at the end of September, is in answer to the same letter as No. 619, which is placed at the beginning of the month, viz., to the letter of 20 Aug., No. 552, in which Throgmorton says that Pole will be obliged to publish the reasons why he is a rebel.

publication of Pole's book, had on second thoughts resolved to cast aside all decency and distinctly threaten the author with assassination, and the judicial murder of the chief members of his family at home. That this was what was signified there could be no manner of doubt, and part of the programme we know was carried out little more than a year later. All that the King did to hide the baseness of his policy was merely to keep his own hand out of it. The threats of murder and of a cruel wrong to a noble family went forth only in the name of a minister who could be disowned if necessary.

It was, perhaps, another instance of the same policy —to make one member of a family at home suffer for the conduct of another who was beyond the King's power — that Sir George Throgmorton, after having been some months at liberty, was again committed to the Tower on the 15th October—certainly not many weeks after Cromwell had written that abusive letter to his brother. On the same day Sir Geoffrey Pole, the Cardinal's brother, went to Court to show his loyalty, but the King refused to see him. As to Sir George, however, it was said that he had been impeached by Sir Thomas Dingley, one of the Knights of St. John, about whom the King was at this time making some very particular inquiries in Spain, the object of which, as we may presume from what is about to be related, was not merely to catch him in the net of an indictment for treason.[1] For that purpose he had almost enough information at home; for if it was Dingley that accused Sir George Throgmorton Sir

[1] Nos. 921, 1023, 1143. Dingley was actually attainted with many others in 1539, by the Act 31 Hen. VIII. cap. 15. This Act is not printed.

George very soon returned the compliment by accusing Dingley. The matter had reference to some conversations between them several years before about the Act abolishing appeals to Rome. Dingley had said he wondered such an Act passed so easily. Sir George replied it was no wonder, as few would dare to displease Cromwell. He said he himself had been sent for by the King for having spoken about it, and he reported to Dingley the interview he had had with Henry—certainly as "dangerous" matter as could very well be conceived. The King had talked to him of the trouble he endured in his conscience about having married his brother's wife. "And I said to him," so Throgmorton reports to the King himself, "that I told your Grace I feared "if ye did marry queen Anne your conscience would "be more troubled at length, for it is thought ye "have meddled both with the mother and the sister." "And his (your) Grace said, 'Never with the mother.' "And my lord Privy Seal, standing by, said, 'Nor never "'with the sister either, and therefore put that out "'of your mind.'[1]" It was no wonder certainly that Sir George was questioned closely concerning the matter of this conversation; what his reasons were for believing the scandal and whether he did not think it very imprudent to report such things to Sir Thomas Dingley, "a man sometime travelling in far countries."[2]

A very few words must now suffice to call attention to other subjects in this volume not as yet touched upon. Of matters relating to the suppression of monasteries—especially suppressions by attainder after the rebellions — the spoliation of shrines and the melting of lead taken from the dismantled buildings,

[1] No. 952. [2] No. 953.

not a little will be found in these pages.[1] The numerous exemptions from suppression granted to particular houses can also be traced by the index. A special interest attaches to the surrender extorted from the monks of the Charter House and the fate of the brethren imprisoned in Newgate, concerning which some new notices will be found.[2] An unprinted letter of Copinger, Confessor of Sion, is likewise to be noted.[3] Of other matters of religion, besides a few more theological papers[4] and some expressions of popular feeling, occasionally set forth in prophecies,[5] there is little to note except what has been already given to the world in Cranmer's letters.

It would be wrong, however, to pass over in silence a curious correspondence which will certainly interest Shaksperian students, showing the proceedings of three royal Commissioners who met at Stratford-on-Avon (their names were John Grevill, William Lucy, and John Combes) to ascertain whether Edward Large, priest of Bishop's Hampton, had been rightly convicted of giving utterance to some very irreverent Puritanical sentiments in the course of a two hours' sermon on Easter Monday, the 2nd of April. The Commissioners who were favoured by Latimer, the Bishop of the diocese, found the accusation was due to subornation of false witnesses on the part of William Clopton; but their report does not appear to have been considered decisive.[6]

Cromwell of course was still on the high road of prosperity. On the 5th August he was elected a Knight of the Garter;[7] and he was installed at Windsor on

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[1] *See* on these subjects the references in the index under Bridlington Jervaulx, Kirkstead, &c.; *also* No. 545 (account of lead.)

[2] Nos. 27, 64, 91, 166, 601. [3] No. 33. [4] Nos. 403–9.

[5] Nos 846, 1212. [6] Nos. 215, 302–3, 496, 501, 840. [7] Nos. 445, 466.

Sunday the 26th.[1] At the end of the year he was appointed Keeper and Chief Justice itinerant of the Royal Forests North of Trent in the room of Lord Darcy.[2] His son Gregory, though not blessed with very distinguished abilities, was able to marry lady Ughtred, the sister of Queen Jane Seymour.[3] His nephew Richard, also, had become a man of high importance, receiving, besides some grants from the Crown,[4] valuable presents from clients to promote their interests with his uncle,[5] after whose great and notable example he knew how to put pressure on bishops, abbots, and others for the procurement of gifts and offices, and the disposal of conventual leases.[6]

The affairs of Ireland during this year were not calculated to give the King much anxiety on the score of rebellion. The subjugation of the whole country was proceeding steadily under lord Leonard Grey as deputy. But the King was not satisfied as regards the revenue. He suspected jobbing, and thought a portion of the retinue might be discharged.[7] In the end Commissioners were sent over to inquire into the whole arrangements of the Council for the government of the country and the conduct of every officer under them; with orders also to reduce the Deputy and Treasurer's retinue to a body of 340 picked men, some of whom were to be told off to garrison fortresses. They carried with them also a number of Acts ready drawn up to be passed in Parliament.[8] Of the measures they took to carry out their instructions and the reports they elicited from the different officers a pretty full

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[1] No. 581. [2] No. 1311 (39). [3] Nos. 269, 423–4, 629, 881.
[4] No. 187 (7). [5] Nos. 49, 363, 423, 466.
[6] Nos. 241, 290, 451, 533, 555 (p. 210), 625.
[7] Part I., No. 503. [8] Part II., No. 382.

account will be found in this volume;[1] for which, and for a number of other matters of great interest as regards Irish history, we must refer the reader to the entries themselves.

It only remains for me to repeat—though I feel that a mere repetition is inadequate—the acknowledgments that I have made in previous volumes, of the constant assistance and zealous co-operation of my friend Mr. Brodie in the prosecution of this arduous work. His services have yearly become more valuable to me and have enabled me to proceed more rapidly with the publication than I could possibly have done without such able assistance.

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LETTERS AND PAPERS,

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

HENRY VIII.

A.D. 1537.

June. **1.** LORD DARCY.

R. O. "After judgment given the petition of Thomas l. Darcy to the King's Grace by my lord Privy Seal. Sent by Mr. Doctor Woilson."

1. To have confession and, at mass, to receive my Maker. 2. That my whole body may be buried with my late wife, the lady Nevyll, in the Friars at Greenwich. 3. That the straitness of the judgment may be mitigated at the King's pleasure.

ii. "For my debts to be paid."—1. That enough of my coin and plate may be delivered to Sir Arthur Darcy to pay my debts and he charged to pay them. 2. My debts are:—To the prior of Pontfret 100 mks.; and to Sir Arthur, that he paid for me to Mr. Allan, alderman of London, 100*l.*; and to Sir Arthur, more, 100*l.* odd. To Mr. Roo of Watlyng Street for liveries, 44[*l.*] odd. To Thomas Lowther clerk for the discharge "of the foot of my last household book," &c., such sums as appear in his bill signed my me, to be viewed by Sir Arthur, Parson Elys and George Nevyll, or two of them. To John Coor, grocer of London, 10*l.* and more. My fellow Oxenfeld to have his eight tuns of wine at Templehurst back again, for I have not paid him for them, with reasonable recompense for his loss. To my servants their fees and wages from Easter to Whitsunday.

"The premises served is great merit in, and to me a singular comfort and to his Grace a small matter; this at the reverence of God and for Christ's blessed Passion, and more of petty debts if any be duly proved —— poor T. Darcy."

iii. Md. My bill of restitution I discharge both my sovereign Lords of; which by record amounts to 4,400*l.* and odd. "The King that dead is commanded that to all men restitution should be made, and charged the King's Grace that now is and his most trusty councillors to see the same done, and his w[ill] and the Savoy performed." Trusting his Grace will the rather command the within written debts to be paid.

Hol., pp. 2. *Headed* "in June 1537."

2. JOHN LORD HUSE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Requests of his charity. (1.) That the King will discharge his sureties for the payment of certain sums still due, as he never offended his Grace in will, deed, or thought, "by the death that I shall die." (2.) I have paid

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2. JOHN LORD HUSE to HENRY VIII.—*cont.*

his Grace the sum of 3,000*l.* as will appear by my book signed by the Treasurer of the Chamber; "for the which sum his Grace gave me my pardon ready to be showed, so it touched nothing of his words, scilicet. Notwithstanding my pardon, my lord Cardinal compelled me to pay it, at that time I moved his Grace, and his Highness promised me that I should have had remedy. Now in the honor of Christ's Passion, have pity of my sinful soul and forgive all my defaults and negligence but treasons, and for that I will ask no pardon, for as I be saved I never offended his Grace in treason." (3.) That his Grace will pay his debts, of which he gives a catalogue, the creditors being:—One Cowper of Westminster, the executors of Thos. Robertson of Boston, Jas. Meryng (for part purchase money of some wood at Knysall), Will. Walhedd, bailiff of the same (qu. of Knysall?), the bp. of Lincoln, Will. Cawdron of Hekington, Sir John Allen, "my aunt Marmyon" and her daughter, the prior of Spalding (borrowed of prior Boston), Mr. Sentpole, John Scutte, the Queen's tailor, Ric. Gressham of London, my servant Nic. Fetherston, one Tonge tailor in Fletestrete, Peter Seynthill, clerk of my kitchen, John Clement of Folkingham, Mrs. Darnold in Woodstrete, Thos. Tipkyn of St. Katharine's, Poynter of Limehouse, Thos. Webster of Willoughby, "the sisters of one Grymsby (whose title as I remember one Wentworth hath by marriage) for the purchase of Bytham." Was also executor to one Lowe of Waltham and bound to spend with him 40*l.* on a way called Honye Lane, but has only spent 10*l.* yet; "and I spake with the warden of the Gray Freers at Ware to have gotten me some honest man to have looked upon it for this 30*l.* and that to spend upon the same; beseeching your Grace in the way of charity it may be paid."

"Item, I beseech his Grace to be good unto a daughter of mine, which is called Dorothy Huse, which was handfasted and bytrawthid to one Thomas Wymbusshe by their own accords and agreements before sufficient record; which Thomas Wymbusshe was ward unto his Grace, and I bought him of his Highness; beseeching his Grace that the said marriage may take effect for the discharging of their consciences."

Signed: Your humell servant, John Huse."

Pp. 3. *Headed:* To the King's Highness. *Endd.*

3. JOHN LORD LUMLEY, to CROMWELL.

Vesp. F. XIII. 119 b. B. M.

Thanks Cromwell for his goodness and begs him not to credit ill reports against him in this troublesome world till he hear his answer. Is advised by his learned counsel that he may make whom he pleases his heir. Desires credence for Cromwell's servant Will. Blytheman and for his own chaplain, Sir Thos. Hallyman. Sends his Lordship's half year's fee which he promised him. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

4. RICHARD, BISHOP OF CHICHESTER, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Owing to an attack of his old enemy the colic, cannot wait this morning on the King. Having taken a remedy, hopes to wait on Cromwell to morrow, either here at London or there if the French ambassador is to be there with him. Intended this day to have desired licence of the King to solemnise the feast of St. Richard "whose day is for the church holiday of the cathedral church of Chichester." Hopes they may keep it there as they have been accustomed. The feast shall be now before Midsummer."*

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The translation of St. Richard, 16 June.

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5. Edw. [Fox], Bishop of Hereford, to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Thanks for 12 brewes and 12 heronsewes. As to her thinking him unkind for not having sent to her for so long, Hussey told him about Ascension time that she desired some cramp rings against her confinement, and he promised him a dozen and some other remembrance of greater value in four or five days. Has never seen him or any other from her since. Has himself been sick and not out of his chamber till last week. Sends a dozen and a half cramp rings by this messenger, and will send a better token by the next messenger, if he be trusty. Wishes her good speed in the great burden she bears.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

6. [Depositions before the Mayor of Leicester.]

R. O. * * *

"Whitsunday . . . . . from thence tull Ippeswiche in the county of Suff., and from thence to Norwich" and thence to Crowmer, Lyme, Crowlonde, Spaldyng, Lincoln, Humber, St. John of Beverley ("and there he did his pilgrimage"), Musse Abbey, Sisterkirte, "a burroughe town wherein standeth an abbey nigh to Skarborough now suppressed," Scarborough town, Whitby abbey, the Bishopric ferry next the sea, Durham town (pilgrimage there), Newcastle, Morpeth, Annyck (pilgrimage there), Norreham, Our Lady of Elaryt (Loretto) in Scotland, and thence to Edinburgh four miles. There he rested four days and heard the following:—

First, that the Scottish king would make war for "the Seven Sheriffdoms" unless the king of England, his uncle, would give it him freely. Item, if not he will win it by force. Item, that the Scottish king has proclaimed himself duke of York and prince of Wales. Item, that there were 15,000 Englishmen in Scotland. Item, in Edinburgh he saw two Englishmen, one a gentleman wearing a black velvet coat, who, it was said, was but a poor man in England, the other, a canon in the house of religion adjoining the King's palace (Holyrood). Item, the said Englishmen had promised to be in the "voweward" in aid of the Scots, and to have the aid of all Northumberland.

Signed "by me Roger Gyllott, mayor †; John Beamount, recorder; Thomas Catlyn bayelif; Nichis. Reynold; Robt. Maye."

Large paper, pp. 2. *Signed on each page.*

1 June. **7.** Edmond Boner, "Priest," to Cromwell.

R. O. Was to have been with Cromwell this afternoon to know his pleasure
St. P. I. 550. touching the book delivered yesterday to Cromwell's hands (concerning which he thinks, whatever be the opinion of some men, that when others have declared their opinion touching the indiction of the Council, the King should not withhold his, especially as he is at liberty to add or withdraw at pleasure), and also to be a suitor in some things touching his departure. Forebore, however, as Cromwell was so busy. Desires to have, during his abode, copies of the treaties heretofore made, some prest money to make preparation, and some plate to furnish his poverty. This Friday, 1 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal.

1 June. **8.** Sir Wm. Parre to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for having made his excuse to the King for his absence and sickness. Has brought from Barlinges more than a horse load of the abbot's books. Wishes to know what to do with them, and with lord Husye's goods and chattels. Brigstoke, 1 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

† Gyllott was mayor of Leicester from St. Matthew's day (21 September), 28 Hen. VIII. and Beaumont was appointed recorder in the same year.

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1 June. **9.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. In behalf of Dr. Addyson, the bearer now returning to Cromwell, who has used himself in as good sort as possible in the parts where he has travelled and was born. Sheriffhutton, 1 June.

P.S. in his own hand.—Advises that the bishops of these parts, the archdeacon of Richmond, the dean of Windsor, and Mr. Magnus may find some honest preachers to make the people more conformable. Those who have such great livings should not regard the filling of their purses and neglect their duty in instructing the people. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

1 June. **10.** SIR THOMAS CLIFFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. At my late being above I sent a letter down to my deputy here to make up the two breaks in the wall which was fallen. The one he had made up before my return, the other is in hand. The walls of the castle and town with the towers of defence bulwarks and heads or partitions of stanks are sore ruined, and unless speedy remedy be had the charges will be much the greater. Requests Cromwell's favour in a matter between himself in right of the heir of Sir Edward Gray, deceased, whom he has obtained of the King, and one Lionel Gray, if the cause be not decided by Mr. Poulet. Berwick, 1 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.* Sir T. Cliff., Captain of Berwick, primo Junii 1537.

1 June. **11.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS, to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have this afternoon received from you the most joyful news* ever sent me. No greater comfort ever came to my knowledge next to the prosperous estate of our Sovereign lord. You inform me that fires are to be made and *Te Deum* sung, and guns shot off at Calais at 4 o'clock. Too much honour cannot be done to the occasion, and I will do the same here, but this day is too far spent to do it publicly, and I have warned the curates of this county to meet at the parish church to-morrow morning and have a solemn mass with *Te Deum* after. There will also be a fire in the market-place and gun shot; so I trust the news will be known to all my neighbours, and your Lordship will perceive the doing thereof, if the wind suffer it to be heard. Sends a piece of venison and commendations to my Lady. Guysnes, 1 June, 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* deputy of Calais.

2 June **12.** DR. JOHN PYKERING.

R. O Deposition of Sir John Pykering, p[riest,] 2 June, 29 Hen. VIII.:—1. As to his communications with Sir John Bowmar's chaplain in the Marshalsea, says that within 10 or 12 days after his commitment, he, having been born and brought up in the same place with the chaplain, after they had heard each other's confession and dined, asked the said chaplain named Sir William for what cause he was committed. He replied that on Good Friday last his master Sir John Bowmar sent him with a letter [of cit]ation to one parson Frank to ask his counsel concerning the said citation; that having business of his own he went first to Esington; that the parson of Esington asked his errand and said that if his master was cited to London he would lose his head. He went the same day to Loftus where parson Frank dwells, who answered, "Twisshe, straws! I can nother thee nother thy master thanks for sending to me for any such counsel; for thy master came of late flying to Kylton to my lord Lumley and departed thence again by and

* The news of the Queen (Jane Seymour) being with child.

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by, and the . . . . . [my lord] Lumley departed thence als[o,] no[t withstandin]g that he was minded before to have tarried there unto Whitsuntide next coming; which things causeth a great murmur to be here in the country. And if thy master be sent for to London let him go as he is commanded. I can give him none other counsel." Finding that parson Frank did not favour his master, the chaplain did not deliver his letter to him but rent it and cast into a water between the bayly's house and the church. Also Parson Frank called the bayly of the town to hear what message was done to him and what answer he made again.

Being further questioned whether the chaplain showed him what was contained in those letters, this examinate said to his remembrance he spake nothing thereof. But the chaplain said as he was coming to London Mr. Rudston asked him [for what cau]se he was sent for, and w[ho] was his accuser; on which he declared to him the whole matter as above, [adding that Parson] Frank and [the] parson of Esington were his accusers. Rudston replied, if that were all, Parson Frank had done worse things, for he was one of the chief captains at Holden at the first insurrection and chief of counsel with Sir Thomas Percy. This conversation was heard by one Gregory Conyars who said that if he were called he would recollect (?) those words spoken by Rudston. And if after this (the chaplain showed this examinat) he were hanged, he would cause Parson Frank to hang Rudston or Rudston Parson Frank. All this examinat showed the same night to one Thos. Lutton, by whose advice he declared it next morning to the keeper of the Marshalsea.

Being examined "of the money . . . . . of the late quondam of Gysborn," says he knows of no money, plate, or goods, except 46*l.* 5*s.* which the said quondam delivered to him, and which Sir Ralph Yevars had of him again. Sir Ralph had also some plate of the quondam's but examinate cannot remember the particulars. The quondam had also 2 caskets, one in the church of Lyth, the other in a chamber in the parsonage there, the keys of which caskets were delivered to Sir Ralph Yevars, but what was contained in them he knows not. He had also a great chalice and certain masers and other stuff in his lodging at Gisborn.

Further examined what money, plate, or goods of his own he had when apprehended, says he delivered to Sir Ralph Yevars 6*l.* 5*s.* when he was sent to London, and that he left 20*l.* in the keeping of Ric. Harwood of Lyth to send to his father, an old man dwelling in Skelton. 5*l.* of it belonged to a brother of his, now in France.

Hol., pp. 6, *each page being signed at the bottom by the deponent.*

R. O. 2. Statement of George Bakhouse that Sir Ralph Eure came to Lith between Easter and Whitsuntide after the Commotion time and demanded of one Harwod's wife there a casket* and 20*l.* in money which Sir John Pickering, then being in durance, had granted to my lord Privy Seal, having left it in keeping with her husband. This the wife utterly denied, and Sir Ralph commanded me and Ralph Skelton his servant, in the King's name and my lord Privy Seal's, to take the said Harwod wherever we found him and bring him to him unless he would grant the said casket with 20*l.* Soon after his wife found the casket in her husband's bed straw, as she said, and sent for me and would have delivered it to me, but I refused to take it alone. She then sent for John Tyndall her neighbour and delivered it to him locked without key before me, and the said Ralph Skelton and Tyndall immediately delivered it to us. We took it to Blakamore to Sir Ralph Eure who was then hunting with the duke of Norfolk. He drew us together alone and broke the lock with a dagger and found inside a penny purse full of gold rialles, ducats, and angels, and some crowns of 5*s.* Sir Ralph counted the contents to 200 angels yet he told not all, but said he had forgotten what he

* *See* Part I. of this volume, No. 535, which it thus appears has been placed too early.

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12. Dr. John Pykering—*cont.*

told and put all up together again, saying he would tell it forth at home. He told Ralph Skelton and me, though he had no authority, he would give each one rialle and account to my lord Privy Seal. Skelton said it was a small reward for their pains being charged with all the goods and chattels of the said quondam's and Sir John Pickering his priest by an inventory ready to be showed. Would have declared the whole premises immediately but that he thought Sir Ralph Eure had truly accounted thereof. *Signed:* Per me, Goreg (*sic*) Bakeus.

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2 June. **13.** Ric. Southwell to Cromwell.

R. O. Immediately after he had despatched Robt. Sturges to Cromwell, he received from his cousin Sir Roger Towneshend, Yelverton the elder, and his son, an examination of Thomas Wrigthen (Wright), carpenter, of Howghton, near Walsingham, and a letter from the mayor of Norwich touching a person taken there for words; both which he has sent by bearer. 2 June, from Estderham, A°. xxix°.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Examination before William Yelverton, esquire, and William Yelverton the younger, gent.

Accusation of Thomas. Fostar and Thomas Westwoode, of Howgthon juxta Harpley, 31 May 29 Hen. VIII., against Thomas Wrygthe, carpenter there. Fostar says that Westwood came to Wrygthe "and desired him to work with his master." Wrygthe asked the news at Norwich, and Westwood said the wife of one of those to be executed fell down in a swoon, and so lay for an hour, but her husband had as he deserved. Then Wrygthe said, "they that did for the commonwealth were hanged up."

The said Wrygthe denies the words.

In Townsend's hand:—Thomas Wrythe, examined before Sir Roger Towenshend and William Yelverton, saith "he had no such words." "I, Sir Roger Touneshend was at the examination of the last article."

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R. O. 3. William Leyer, mayor [of Norwich] to Richard Southwell.

Sowthwell marvels that the mayor and his fellows have not before this informed him of John Cokke, worsted weaver, and Robt. Toll, a journeyman, in prison in the Guildhall. Yesternight after sessions they examined them.

It appears that on Monday night last, Tolle reported to the mayor's brethren Pykerell, Sywhat, and Lynsted, that Cokke, in Lent past, said to him, Gregory Aldryche, petty collector of the subsidy, has been with me for the King's money, and I cannot pay, for I can sell no worsted, "wherefore I see no remedy without poor men do rise."

Tolle, examined apart, says he never spoke such words, and if he did so he must have been drunk. Asks Sowthwell to certify the matter to the Council.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Rychard Southwell, esq., at Rysyng.

2 June. **14.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for his kindness and advice. Writes to the King. Understands his Majesty has sent letters to these parts touching vagabonds. Has not neglected that matter, as Cromwell will see by copies of letters which he sometime past sent to all the justices of the peace and religious houses. The alms they have in religious houses is the great occasion thereof, and the slackness of the justices in doing their duty. Will so order these

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countries that Cromwell will probably hear of no small number of them drawing southwards. The sooner Mr. Pollard comes into these parts the better for the relief of the King's charges.

The house of Jervaulx was much in debt, but the moveables will discharge that, and likewise at Bridlington, especially if plumbers be sent down to take the lead off the houses and cast it in sows. Sheriff Hutton, 2 June.

Thinks the stuff of those put to execution should be sent to York rather than Pomfret, as it will cost less and the King will have more time to look thereon there.

Added in his own hand:—Thanks him for his information that the King does not much favour lord Latimer or Sir Ric. Tempest, and is ill-pleased with lord Conyers for breaking his promise at his departure from Windsor. Cannot deny it was by his advice that his Grace allowed him to return home, though he was in ward before; but he thought for the best. Desires to know how to satisfy his Highness about lord Latimer and Tempest. Sir Richard is now ridden to London. The lord dwells within 12 miles of this house, and perhaps will resort to Norfolk. Begs to be rid of the charge of these parts.

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My l. of Norff. to my l. P. S. Item, the Emperor's letter to the duke of Norff. Item, the copies of my lord of Norff. letters for the punishment of vagabonds.

R. O. 2. Circular from the duke of Norfolk to the justices to put in execution the statutes against vagabonds. Sheriffhutton [1 June].*

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R. O. 3. Circular from Norfolk to the abbots, priors, and other religious governors of the ——— (*blank*) Riding of Yorkshire warning them not to give meat, drink, or other relief to sturdy vagabonds.

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2 June. **15.** Oudart du Bies to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. Has received his writing complaining that this bearer, an English subject, having been compelled by stress of weather to enter Boulogne harbour, a young man in his ship, a brewer's servant, who was commissioned to deliver a certain quantity of beer, was imprisoned by Du Bies' order. The man has acknowledged himself to be a Fleming and been ransomed. If he had been an Englishman would have treated him as he always does the others. Boulogne, 2 June. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

2 June. **16.** Faenza to Ambrogio.

Add. MS. 8715, f. 370 b. B. M. Has stopped here two days because the lanceknights were three leagues off passing into Dauphiné, and as there are Lutherans among them he would not trust himself to pass. Their probable destination, &c. Letters from Venice of the 27th mention practises of Count Guido and the Florentines, and that Pier Luigi has taken possession of Novara.

Italian, modern copy, pp. 3. *Headed :* Da Lione, li 2 Giugno, 1537.

2 June. **17.** Charles V. to Cifuentes.

Add. MS., 28,589, f. 313. B. M. Acknowledges receipt of six letters since 20 Feb. Truce between the French king and the Turk. Loss of Clisa and danger to the king of the Romans.

As to Cardinal Pole's going into England, Cifuentes acted prudently in getting him sent through France rather than Flanders. Nothing more can

* This date is struck out.

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17. CHARLES V. to CIFUENTES—*cont.*

be done until his arrival and the result of his commission are known; but the affair is of small importance since he carries so little money as you say.

The Pope's negociations for peace. Florence. Sends an instruction for his proceedings there.

Spanish, pp. 6. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas. Original headed:* "Al conde de Cifuentes, de Valladolid a ij de Junio de mdxxxvij que esta en Florencia."

2 June. **18.** CHARLES V. to AGUILAR.*

Add. MS. 28,589 f. 316. B. M.

Pier Luis. The Pope's information that the French king has concluded a three years' truce with the Turk. Loss of Clisa. As to the going of Card. Pole to England your action in getting him sent through France rather than Flanders was prudent, &c. (as in the letter to Cifuentes).

Spanish, pp. 3. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas. Original headed:* From Valladolid, 2 June 1537: Ant. Dexar carried it to Genoa.

Ibid. f. 285. B. M.

2. The Emperor's instructions to Don Antonio Dixar sent into Italy. Given at Valladolid, 2 June, 1537.

Disturbed condition of Christendom by reason of the war moved last year by the French king, and the imminent invasion of the Turk. Action of the French in Italy and the recent invasion of Flanders and capture of Hedin. The Emperor's measures taken both in Italy and Flanders against France and the Turk. Money wanted by the Emperor. Difficulties of the defence of Italy. Preparations to be made against the Turkish Armada.

All the above is to be shown to the prince Doria and his opinion heard. Dixar shall then proceed to the marquis del Guasto and present it to him

Further instruction touching the duke and duchess of Savoy. The marquisate of Saluce. Florence. Valladolid, 2 June 1537.

Spanish, pp. 53. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

3 June. **19.** H. EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Arch. XXXIII. 6.

Had previously agreed to give up all his inheritance to the King on the performance of divers articles signed with his (the earl's) hand, which he lately sent to Cromwell. He now relinquishes all his requests in the said articles. Hopes the King will allow his servants to enjoy such fees, annuities, and leases as he had given them. Desires Cromwell to inform the King of this his submission; and to give credence to Dr. Legh. Hackney, 3 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

R. O.

2. "A declaration of my lord's lands in anno 29 r.r. Hen. VIII." Rents of assize in Yorkshire, Northumb. and Cumb. in fee and reversion, 3,000*l.* Woodsales, yearly value, 500*l.* Perquisites, profits of courts, wards, &c., 376*l.* Total, 3,876*l.*

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3 June. **20.** JOHN, BISHOP OF LINCOLN, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have received your letters touching the gift of the prebend of Leighton, which I understand by your letters is now void, and shall be glad to perform your request as far as I can. The truth is, as I showed your

* In the same MS. will be found (ff. 281, 318) two papers containing the resolutions of the Emperor's council with a view to despatches into Italy, the first dated 18 May and the second drawn up apparently about this time, but undated.

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lordship in the gallery at St. James's, I have given it by vowson to my chancellor. At that time you wrote for the dean of the Arches, and I gave him a vowson of a prebend of 40*l.*; but as the King wrote in favour of the said dean, Dr. Gwent* for Leighton I gave him another vowson of the archdeaconry of Huntingdon. Nevertheless I shall do my best to persuade my chancellor to satisfy you. You had better write a letter to him which I can send with letters of like request. If I can bring this to pass I beg you will have this prebend bestowed upon yourself, as it is temporal and of good value. I fear my unkind archdeacon Dr. Layton "do make means unto your lordship for this. I trust ye mind not to it; for I will never consent that he shall have it." My servant, Frankishe, at Holborn, will forward my letters. Wooborn, 3 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 June. **21.** HENRY MANSER, Priest.

R. O. Depositions taken before Sir Roger Touneshend, John Bozom, and Wm. Heydon, esqs., 3 June 29 Hen. VIII.

Robt. Sutton, of Little Walsingham, deposes that on Our Lady's Even before Christmas he heard Sir Henry Manser, priest, say to four men of Lincolnshire, who came on pilgrimage to Our Lady of Walsingham, that if Norfolk and Suffolk would have risen when Lincolnshire and Yorkshire did they had been able to have gone through the realm.

Wm. Baker, of Walsingham, deposes that he heard Robt. Sutton say this day, in the hearing of Wm. Salman, Robt. Angos, Ric. Grene, Nic. Forest, and Thos. Byrd, of Walsingham, that six weeks before Christmas two or three men of Lincolnshire said the above words to Manser.

Edm. Crome, of Walsingham, deposes that on Saturday after Corpus Christi Day, after evensong, Sir Henry Manser came out of Our Lady's Chapel, and told him that Edward Sutton, "beyng a soore and a diseased person" askyng alms daily, would not forbear coming to the door of the chapel, and when he spoke to him about it by desire of the pilgrims, would answer froward and naughty words. He therefore desired Crome, one of the constables, to speak to him, who finally led him to the stocks, and he then accused Manser of having said the above words. *Signed by Crome.*

Wm. Danby, one of the constables of Little Walsingham, deposes that when Sutton was in the stocks, he told him Manser had spoken the above words, and that Angos and Master Sydney were his bearers. Bade his watchmen bear witness what Sutton said.

Baker returned after being examined, saying that he did not recollect whether Manser or the Lincolnshire men spake these words. *Signed by Touneshend, Heydon and Bozum.*

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R. O. 2. Deposition of Wm. Salman before Sir Roger Touneshend, Wm. Heydon, and John Bosom, esqs., 3 June, 29 Hen. VIII.

That Robt. Sutton, while set in the stocks at Walsingham, on being asked what he heard Sir Henry Mancer, priest, say, replied as above, and when further asked who heard it, said, only two or three Lincolnshire men, whom he also heard say that the rising was for abbeys and the maintaining of God's service. *Signed by Salmon and by Townesend and Heydon.*

In Salmon's hand, p., 1.

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* According to Le Neve, Richard Gwent, LL.D. held the prebend of Leighton Ecclesia from 1534 to his death in 1543. If so, it was not void, as Cromwell supposed, at the time this letter was written.

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3 June. **22.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received his letter by Hopkins and sent his two letters to Rudstone and Munckton, who should be with Cromwell before the receipt of this. I also sent Sir Ralph Ellercar to Beverley, where I hear Thomas Strangways is, to take him and deliver him to three of my yeomen, who I hope will bring him up to you. Hopkins will report what he has done about the good news of the Queen's being quick with child. This afternoon *Te Deum* shall be sung and this night bonfires made through all this city. Has ordered four hogsheads of wine out of his cellar to be laid abroad at night to be drunk in divers places freely. Sends also the mayor's certificate of such beds and stabling as will be made in this town and the Ainsty against the King's coming. Believes there will be made two or three hundred beds more. There will lack no grass in the country for horses. York, Sunday, 3 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

3 June. **23.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has sent up Thomas Strangways according to Cromwell's letters by Hopkins received last night. Sheriffhutton, 3 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd. in a later hand:* 1537.

3 June. **24.** WYSTASSE MOREL, Lieutenant of the Captain of Gravelines to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Having received information that some young horses were to be sold in Flanders, to be carried out of the Emperor's countries, in violation of the proclamations, I ordered watch to be placed on the passages, and two men of Oye named Joon Lunx (?) and the son of Rye Smits were apprehended along with some men of Flanders leading horses out of the country. The horses have been declared confiscated, and two of them taken, but those who led them carried away by force the other four, I believe to Calais. I beg you to inquire about it, and if you find that the Emperor's orders have been disobeyed, to send back the delinquents with the horses. Gravelines, 3 June 1537.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

3 June. **25.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. S.P. VII. 699. This day the Regent took her journey to Lille. As the bp. of Verona had been with her the evening before, Hutton prepared to accompany her, and when a little way past Brussels she told him the bp. had been sent to her by Card. Pole as she had declined to see himself, to explain that he had been sent as an Englishman to dispute those errors which by separating England from the Holy See hindered the calling of a General Council, and had therefore written to the Pope to complain of his treatment as Legate. To this she had replied that when the time came for a General Council she would not be found lacking, but she did not consider these countries a fit place for discussing the things concerning the King without his consent; that she left it to his discretion what he should write, but she had done nothing she would not justify: and she advised him to return as she had no commission from the Emperor touching his legacy, especially as he was a suspect person, which might occasion more inconvenience than his legacy could profit. She promised further that nothing should be done affecting the King but she would let Hutton know. Brussels, 3 June.

Hol. Add. Sealed. Endd.: 3 Junii 1537.

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26. HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Containing a copy of the preceding letter.

Last night one of his spies brought him word from Liege that Pole lay in the old palace, and had been pontifically received in the city, where he means to remain till he have answer from Rome; that Throgmorton had gone to England; that a present of 3,000 gildyrns had been made to Pole by the Card. of Liege. "They take him there for a young god. He cometh but little abroad nor he will not speak but with very few." Brussels, 3 June.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal at the Rolls. *Endd:* 3 Junii 1537.

4 June. **27.** THOMAS BEDYLL to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have been at the Charterhouse beside London and persuaded them rather to submit wholly to the King's mercy and surrender their priory than abide the extremity of the King's laws. I hope to bring the surrender to the King to-morrow under their convent seals, or else they shall deceive me very much of mine expectation. London, 4 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 June. **28.** BISHOP OF LINCOLN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends the collation of Leighton prebend, as he heard to-day after 3 o'clock that his chancellor, to whom he had given the advowson, is dead. Wooborn, 4 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 June **29.** [SIR] RICHARD SAPCOTE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs remembrance at this time, for he trusts, by the attainder of lord Hussy, many things are in the King's hands whereof a small portion might do him ease. As he does not know what the King has granted already, begs Cromwell will appoint what he is to sue for. Would have made this suit himself, but since his coming home has been visited with his old pain. Ayelton, 4 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

4 June. **30.** SIR RALPH ELLERKAR, Jun., to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Sunday morning, 3 June, my lord of Norfolk commanded me from Sheriff Hutton to attach Thos. Strangwyge the late lord Darcy's steward, whom I have this morning delivered to Thos. Nuderell (?), Harry Balle, and John Sabffurthe, three of my Lord's yeomen, to bring to your Lordship. At his arrest he was sore crazed, and my Lord's servants desire me to write in their excuse "as in wentter thay be nott a byll to cary hym no grett jurnay becausse off hys syknes"; for they would be sorry to be blamed for tarrying by the way. Rysbe, 4 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 4 Junii 1537.

4 June. **31.** HUTTON to [CROMWELL].

Galba, B. x. 335. B. M. By this [post ?] I have sent divers letters which require haste; where-[fore] please send them with all convenient diligence. The lady Regent departed from Brussels the . . . . day of this present month towards Lile where she intends to reside this summer. Yester[day] I received letters from Venice dated 18 May. The Turk is ready with 260 ships and galleys, which be thought to be at Valona before this. They be either for Pooilia or S[icily ?]. The Venetians declare themselves neutral, but make preparations for defence. The French King attempts to [get ?] passage for the

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31. Hutton to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

Swissars through the Venetian's dom[inions], which was not yet granted "at the date . . . . letters." Antwerp, 4 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Edge injured. Begins* "Right honourable and my singular good lord."

4 June. **32.** The General Council.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 325. B. M.

Extract from letters of Mons. Guidiccion, 4 June, about the place of celebration of the Council and the action of the diet of Smalkald and the duke of Saxony.

Italian, modern copy from the archives of Simancas, pp. 2. *Original endorsed in Spanish:* Copia del capitulo que embio el nuncio di Su S^{t} en España sobre lo del Concilio, 1537.

5 June. **33.** John Copynger, General Confessor of Syon, to Cromwell.

R. O.

The brethren of Syon have long abstained from preaching, at the King's precept to them sent by Cromwell's letters. Now sloth and idleness are imputed to them for that cause. Begs Cromwell, therefore, to grant them a relaxation of his commandment and restore them to their duty of preaching. The disciples of Christ did receive grace by the coming of the Holy Ghost and then did preach; the brethren sue to Cromwell for grace, although they have not his Lordship's former promise, as the disciples had of Christ. Syon, 5 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 [June]. **34.** The Duke of Norfolk to Henry VIII.

R. O.

Sends by the bearer Mr. Tashe who goes up with the Tenths, all such things of gold as were on the shrine at Bridlington, which he caused Master Magnus to take off when he was there to suppress the house. It is in two boxes, sealed with the seals of the Duke and Magnus. In the less box are three proper and . . . . . d wrought tablets, "and if I durst . . . . . be a thief I would have stolen them to have sent them to the Queen's Grace, but now your Highness having them may give them unto her without offence." In the great box "is one proper thing of *radix Jesse* to be set upon an altar" and all the rest of the gold work. The rest of the silver gear remains here with "the plate of Sir Robert Constable's . . . . . of that was belonging to Bridlington." Shall it be kept till the King's coming to these parts, or sold for his advantage here? It is very old stuff, and would be better broken up: amounting in value to about 3,470 oz. Sheriff Hutton, 5 . . . . . *Signed.*

P. 1. *Mutilated, and the writing in parts faded. Add. Sealed and Endd.*

5 June. **35.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O.

Sends to the King, by Tristram Teshe, in two boxes, all such gold stuff as was upon the shrine at Bridlington, with a letter to his Majesty to know what shall be done with the remaining silver. Desires favour for Teshe, as few others are at this time without restitution or agreement made with them, and the Duke does not see how he is to be compensated for the robberies he has sustained. If Cromwell will lodge in his house at York, he may be sure of a welcome, "and if ye lust not to dally with his wife he hath a young woman with pretty proper tetins." Begs Cromwell to be good lord to the abbot of St. Mary's, as to the farm which he wrote to the.

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abbot to give to Fulbery; it is so necessary for the abbey that they cannot part with it. Sheriffhutton, 5 June.

Added in his own hand: Understands the King keeps a garrison at Pomfret, which he thinks a needless expense. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* 1537.

5 June. R. O. **36.** Sir Will. Gascoygne, the younger, to Cromwell.

Please help me to the preferment either of Bridlington abbey or of Jervax, with the demesnes, which I am informed are now suppressed. You know I have but a small living during my father's life. Cusworth, 5 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 June. R. O. **37.** Wm. Lord Sandys to Lady Lisle.*

Asks her to further the request contained in his letter to lord Lisle.† Is without French wine, having been here but a short time to make provisions. Sent his servant last week to a merchant in Calais, who promised him four tuns, and sent Wm. a Chambre yesterday for the wine, but the merchant refuses to deliver it unless he will take it all. There is a statute that victuallers shall not be compelled to sell but at their pleasure, and thinks it reasonable they should keep their promises. Unless this house is victualled, it will be in great danger. Guysnes, 5 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

5 June. R. O. **38.** Wistasse Morel, Lieutenant to the Captain of Gravelines, to Lord Lisle.

I have this day received your letters, and thank you for their contents. As you say that the six horses belong to yourself, and you wish to recover the two others, which I have still in my hands, I have sent notice to the captain, my master, at Aeyre, from whom I hourly expect an answer. Gravelines, 5 June 1537.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

5 June. R. O. **39.** John Bekynsaw to Dr. Knight.

Lately received a letter from Mr. Barkar, showing that Knight wished the writer to seek service in these parts. Wondered at his giving such advice. Has long sued for it himself, but has given it up in despair, and intends to return home after Midsummer *cum pannis.* Having no certainty of living here, cannot go to his book as he would. Would be glad to retire to a corner till the small voice come after the fire and whirlwind. Paris, 5 June 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my master, Mr. Dr. Knyght, archidiacon of Rychmond, at St. Stephen's in [West]mester by London. *Endd.*

5 June. R. O. **40.** Henry Cole to Dr. Knighte.

Is in great anxiety. Could endure death more easily than his patron Knight's displeasure. Has written to him three times to ask what he wishes done. Cannot believe that Knight has received none of his letters. Hopes if he has done anything amiss Knight will forbear till he can explain. Paris, "nonis Junii, 1537."

Hol. Latin, p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. "Mr. Dr. Knighte, archedecon of Richemonde"; at his place in Canon Row, by Westminster, London *Endd.*

* Printed by error in Vol. X. as of the year 1536. † Not found.

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6 June. **41.** CROMWELL to SIR THOS. WYATT.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 203. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 321.

Though Wyatt has been somewhat slack to write to him, takes the opportunity of this bearer, M. du Vauldray, who has been declaring the Queen of Hungary's excuses for the conveyance of the traitor Pole from Cambray (where he had retired when expelled by the French king) to the dominion of the bishop of Liege, "which was thought to have been more solemn than the treaties required." Don Diego de Mendoza arrived the Wednesday after Pentecost, and was well received by the King, then being at Hampton Court. With him and the other ambassador Cromwell and others of the Council have, by the King's appointment, had sundry conferences upon the causes of his coming, touching the marriage. Though the King is well inclined, nothing is concluded, because Mendoza brought no new commission, but only such as the ambassador here resident had received long before; also because they make some difficulty in the demand that the Emperor should rather adhere to the King than to the bp. of Rome, and should withstand any attempts made by the Bishop and his adherents against the King. The said ambassadors have written of this by De Vauldray, and upon their answer from the Emperor the matter shall be concluded or broken off. Advises him to pretend ignorance; yet he may take any opportunity of saying that at his departure the King's mind was, for good causes, immutably against the said Bishop, and doubtless he would not esteem an alliance perfect with any person that would assent to or assist in anything to his displeasure, taking heed evermore to the nourishing of the good amity between them.

The King is in good health and disposition, the more because the Queen is quick with child. God send her good deliverance of a prince, to the joy of all faithful subjects. Upon the news coming from Hampton Court to London on Trinity Sunday, at afternoon, there was great celebrity at Powles, and thanks given to God, and in the evening solemn fires both in the city and other towns. The whole realm is peaceful, and offenders sorry for their offences, and desirous to serve the King, the more so because of his Grace's merciful pardon extended to them, and observed inviolably. For although lords Darcy and Husey, Constable, Bigot, Sir John Bulmer, Hamerton, the lord Lumley's son, Aske, Tempest, the abbot of Jervaulx, the prior of Bridlington, and some others, also Sir Thos. Percy, had their pardon, yet they have been openly convicted of high treason most ungratefully committed since, and some of them be already executed. Wyatt may affirm that if they had not offended since their pardon, the King would never have remembered their previous offences. From the Rolls, 6 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Ambassador with the Emperor. *Endd.:* "From my lord Privy Seal, the first by Vauldray, 26 June," *and also,* "in June, at Valodolid."

June. **42.** WRIOTHESLEY to SIR THOS. WYATT.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 279. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 421.

By my lord's letters you shall perceive occurrants here and the terms in which the treaty with Don Diego de Mendoza consists. If the Emperor will come to any good point in the matter of the capitulation against the bp. of Rome all will be well. Labour to cause him make an overture to aid no man, directly or indirectly, against the King, and in case of invasion to assist the King against the bp. of Rome, or any other. Do not let it appear that "you could approve this overture, for that will offend. Make the bargain as good as you can, and stick you upon the Emperor's joining against the Bishop."

From the Rolls, in more than haste. Sends herewith divers letters from friends.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.:* Ambassador with the Emperor. *Endd.:* Mr. Wriothesley, in June, by Mr. Weldon, at Valladolid.

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6 June. **43.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Sunday last sent Sir Ralph Ellerker, with three of his servants, to Beverley, to take Thomas Strangwishe, and bring him to Cromwell. Commanded Sir Ralph to search for writings in his house that might touch the King, and last night he sent such as you will receive with these. The first copy is that I sent from Windsor to lord Darcy by the King's command, after my first return from Doncaster. The second is that written by Sir Ralph Ellerker and Robert Bowes at the same time to the said lord. The third is the King's letter sent with them. Some things must now be tried out, for it apppears they had spies among us, who must be discovered. Perhaps lord Hussey was one of them. Some say the King will not come hither this summer; whereof I beg you to let me know the truth. Sheriff-hutton, 6 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

6 June. **44.** SIR JOHN BULMER.

R. O. Survey of the lands of Sir John Bulmer, attainted, in Yorkshire, by Ric. Pollard, one of the King's general surveyors, in June 29 Hen. VIII.

Possession taken at the lordship of Bulmer, 6 June 29 Hen. VIII., in presence of Thos. Laurens, Marmaduke Dawtrie, John Taylour, Rob. Annyngson and John Saunderson "with the body of the whole lordship, and there did atturne and become tenants to our said sovereign lord, and have given knowledge at the entry there, according to their ancient custom."

List of freeholders with their tenures:—The priors of Marton and Mowseby, John Malton and Ric. Otterborne.

Tenants by indenture and by copy of court roll:—John Saunderson, Marmaduke Daltre, Will. Skalyng, Rob. Anneson, Rob. Maunsell, John Tayllour, Wm. Huchynson, Wm. Tayllour, John Malton, Janet Maunsell, John Stephynson, Davy Williamson, John Byfurth's wife, Agnes Wattson, Hen. Bedall, John Elton, Wm. Wyll, John Benson, Wm. Skelton's wife, John Harreson, Matt. Wright, Edw. Calverd, Wm. Anneson and John Welborne.

Tenants at will:—Rob. Bulmer, Rob. Welborne and John Tomson.

Work-silver:—The township of Bulmer for "bonne silver otherwise called work silver." 6*s.* 8*d.*

In Welborne:—Tenants by copy of court roll:—Ric. Wedrelt, John Ellys, Rob. Smyth, Ric. Wright, Wm. Wayte, Ric. Knotte, Thos. Gilbank, Thos. Hare, Chr. Hare, Rob. Colt, Thos. Cawthorn, Wm. Pykaryng, Wm. Wright's wife, Rob. Tanfeld's wife, John Seman, John Collynson, and Wm. Byfurth.

Tenants at will.—Rob. Pekett, Thos. Laurence, John Twede and the township of Welborne.

The mill of Welborne is a water mill standing upon a small stream and grindeth all manner of corn: repairs will cost 4*l.*: it is held by Rob. Bulmer at the lord's pleasure: rent 40*s.*

The demesne lands held by the township of Welborne and by Robert Bulmer (the various parcels specified).

The manor place stands on a plain high ground in the midst of the town and is a very old house covered with slate and greatly in decay. There is an orchard of about an acre growing no fruit. Also an old "kylne house," at the back, and a gatehouse, at the entry, ready to fall down. Also two stables much in need of repair.

Woods:—Southwodde, Brandreth and Storffe Wodde.

Bulmer Common 60 acres and Welborne Common 50 acres.

Royalties:—The fine called the "grenehith" and the "gressham" and "incomme."

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44. Sir John Bulmer—*cont.*

The lord has the advowson of Bulmer and there is a chapel of Our Lady at Welborne.

Robt. Bulmer is the bailiff and has no assurance for his fee. The half year's rent due at Pentecost is still unpaid. *Signed by Pollard.*

Pp. 15. *Slightly mutilated.*

6 June. R. O. **45.** Henry Cole to Dr. Wotton.

I send by the bearer, Mr. Leyton, such seeds as Mr. Michael Throgmarton left here for you, with a letter to you. You will see I have other things for you which the bearer could not carry. Paris, 6 June, 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To Master dotter Wotton, the phisition. *Endd.*

6 June. Harl. MS. 6989, f. 74. B. M. **46.** Bishop Gardiner to Norfolk.

Has had no letters from Norfolk for 4 months. The French king is hunting at Fontainebleau as though there were no war. His appointment was to go to Molyns, but now it is doubtful as the Burgundians have assembled to take St. Pol, which he has fortified. St. Pol is neutral and has ever lived in peace. It is noteworthy that the war being begun by the Emperor and French king for Milan, all their countries and Milan are quiet and the misery of war troubles only Savoy and St. Pol, countries belonging to neither. Spoke yesterday with the Grand Master, who thinks little of what the Emperor can do and says the Burgundians are fewer than reported. Others say otherwise, and that the French king is doubtful whether to send his lanceknights to Italy as intended, or keep them for defence of his country. The pay of these lanceknights alone is 30,000*l.* a month, and the King has 12,000 Italians in Piedmont. The parts to be defended lie very wide, and there is much talk of want of money. The Emperor is in Spain and, it is said, will win us against the French. I will not believe till I see it, for it is a good rent the king our master has of France, and it were better to have them agree than help one to overrun the other. The Turk's coming is not much feared because he tarryeth so long. The bp. of Rome should have married his nephew to the Duchess of Florence in hope to recover Milan; but now they say the Emperor sues for my lady Mary to marry the infant of Portugal and will give him Milan, so that the Bishop's marriage stayeth and the Italians account us Imperials.

Chastilion (Castillon) goes now into England to be ambassador resident and the bishop (*i.e.*, of Tarbes) returns. What I shall do I cannot tell, but I have lately bought mules and necessaries as though to tarry here still; for, seeing I have tarried so long, I will not with suit to come home lose any of the thanks I might have had, but will serve diligently. Ville Nove Saincte Ge[orges], 6 June.

Hol. Slightly mutilated, pp. 3. *Add.*

6 June R. O. **47.** Germayne Gardyner to Wriothesley.

"You marvel not so much there how the post money can draw nigh the sum which my lord* wrote as we marvel here how ye can doubt thereof." To remove all doubt, has made a perfect account of the money laid out by my lord since "we" came into France, valuing the crowns at 5*s.* stg., for if rated at less my lord would be a loser. You will learn the news by my lord's letters. Commend me to my sister. *Te Deum* is sung here for the Queen being with quick child. Hopes it will be a son. Ville Saint George, 6 June.

Commendations from Mr. Medoe and "my your" Twig.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my loving brother Mr. Thomas Wriothesley. *Endd.:* vj° Junii 1537.

* Bishop Gardiner.

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48. JOHN HUTTON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Desires his favourable letters to the captain and viscount of Dieppe for John Over as one of the King's subjects.

P.S.—He is in partnership with Rob. Colt.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais. *Some memoranda on the back, apparently by Lisle, of hogsheads delivered to different persons.*

June. **49.** JOHN HUTTON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Received his letter of the 6th, wishing to know what answer Lisle should make for the passport of four horses for Mr. Richard Cromwell. I wrote eight days past that George, the Imperial ambassador's servant, told me that he had obtained grant of the queen [of Hungary] for it. Thanks him for showing kindness to John Overe. Antwerp, . . June.

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add. Endd.:* [By Lisle?]

7 June. **50.** SIR RALPH LONGFORD.

R. O. "Monyse layde howtt by Syr Wylliam Hollys, knyght, to the h[u]se off Syr Raffe Longforthe, knyght, uppon the sum off V.C. markes too be payde for hys heyre." Total [281*l.*] 7*s.* 4*d.* With a statement of sums remaining due to Longforthe's use under an agreement of the lord Chief Baron, 7 June 30 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

7 June. **51.** CROMWELL and the MARQUIS OF EXETER.

R. O. Deposition of Thos. Benyng of Stoke, Soms., carpenter, examined before Sir Henry Capell, 7 June 29 Hen. VIII., viz., that he had heard John Howell of the same parish, butcher, say that the marquis of Exeter and the lord Privy Seal had fallen out; that the Marquis had drawn his dagger on my lord Privy Seal, who was protected by the harness on his back; and that the latter had ordered the former to the Tower, but if he had been put there by my lord Privy Seal's order, he would have been fetched out again, though the best of the realm had said nay; "and that he, the same Howell, and his company were fully agreed by one assent to have him out before they had come away." This took place a fortnight before Christmas last in Alice Latche's house in Stoke. *Signed:* Harry Capell.

P. 1. *Endd.*

7 June. **52.** THE MAYOR AND HIS BRETHREN OF SARUM to CROMWELL.

Harl. MS. 283 f. 146. B. M. The mayor of New Sarum and others of the discreetest of his brethren that have been mayors have always been in the commission of peace. But now Thos. Chamber, the under-bailey of Sarum, and others of his affinity have so reported to the people that the mayor is but the bishop's mayor and gaoler, and has no more authority to punish any misdoer than any other citizen, that the people be in such a boldness that they no longer regard the mayor and his brethren. And whereas it is said the bishop intends to sue for the charter granted to his predecessors to be confirmed and enlarged, whereby great inconveniences may ensue, for his officers say all power is in him, and the said bishop says his charter will discharge him of all misuses and non-use; they beg Cromwell to qualify the said charter and that the bishop's under-baileys may be of some gravity and substance, so that they need not use extortion and bribery, which has caused all the variance betwixt the bishop and the citizens. It has been the custom upon the even of St. Osmunde, 15 July, which saint lies in the cathedral church as St. Edward does in Westminster, to keep a solemn watch like that kept in London on midsummer even, and to keep the morrow as a holiday. Now

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52. The Mayor and his Brethren of Sarum to Cromwell—*cont.*

that St. Osmund's day is commanded not to be kept they beg to know what is to be done as regards the said watch, of which the bearers can speak. Sarum, 7 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 7 Junii 1537.

7 June. **53.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Understanding that the receivers of the Augmentation shall not meddle with these lands that are come to the King's hands by the attainders, Sir George Lawson has asked me to write to your Lordship for the same. He is in good esteem in these parts and diligent to serve the King. Sheriff Hutton, 7 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* 1537.

7 June. **54.** Anthoine Brusset to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received a letter you wrote to my lieutenant of Gravelinghes, claiming the two horses taken by his officers *sur les passaiges* as your own. I cannot understand this, seeing that if you wanted horses from Flanders a word from you to the Queen would be enough and I would back your suit, as I have always done. There would be no need to bring them by indirect ways like those in question, contrary to the Emperor's ordinances. I therefore desire you will apprehend the subject of the Emperor who sold and brought the said horses. I cannot find that they were taken within your pale as you say. Aire, 7 June '37. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

7 June. **55.** Margaret, Queen of Scotland, to Henry VIII.

R. O. I received your letter by your secret servant, Mr. Sadler, and thank
St. P. v. 89. you for the 200*l.* he brought me. I thank you for sending into France to the King my son for me, and trust to find the more kindness for your sake. I beg to hear from you when you send word into this realm, and hope to do you pleasure, as this bearer your servant will show. I spoke at length with the King my son, and find him well disposed towards you, as I trust he has sent the abbot of Arbroath to declare to you. I beg that the abbot may be well treated, for he is great with the King your nephew; also that you will speak to him for my honourable treatment. "My dewors and portyseng is at the gyffeng of the sentens and pryved be mony famos folke to the noumbar of fowr and twenty pryves, and vyth the grace of God I schal not have newer syche a trowbyl a gayn." I trust to have your help if I am wronged, and will be diligent to preserve love between you and my son; but I will not write at length for the causes I have shown to Mr. Sadler, for whom I beg credence. The King my son is very well content with him. 7 June.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

8 June. **56.** Insurrection in Norfolk.

R. O. Examinations taken at Norwich Castle at the sessions there holden 8 June, 29 H. VIII. before Sir Roger Towneshend, Sir John Jermy, Robert Holdyche, and John Clere, justices of the peace.

Thomas Celles, prisoner in the said castle on suspicion of felony, says he hea[rd] Ralph Rogerson and Nich. Mylom, subprior of Walsyngham, prisoners for treason, "say that . . . . . said he would give amongst them six [or] seven sc. ecore (score ?) sheep." That was two or three days before the said Ralph and Nicholas went to execution. Saw a bill rent in pieces and thrown abroad.

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Stephen Alyson, prisoner on suspicion of felony, heard Johnson and Clerk, prisoners, say Rogerson would have accused "one Smythe and Gyggys, of Wyghton, and also a priest, a rich gentleman." This about a week before the justices sat upon Gysborough and his company.

Thomas Johnson, prisoner and attainted of felony, heard Rogerson say that, about Hallowmas last, as one Smyth of Wighton and he came from London, Smyth said, "It shall never be well until such time as we make an insurrection against great men," and said he would be captain of 100 men. Heard Rogerson and old Gisborowe say "they would have" Smyth, one Mr. Gyggis and another, and a priest of Old Walsingham named Betts, before the justices sat on them. Then young Gisborough said, "Father, there is no remedy but death with us, and for us to put any mo in danger, it were pity." Heard them also say that if any great man "had two dishes on his table, they would have had the one if they had gone forward with their business." Gyggis had said they should not lack sheep as long as he had any.

John Clerk, prisoner on suspicion of felony, heard Rogerson, old Gisborough, and Nich. Mylom marvel that John Smyth, one Giggis *alias* Debyde, William Hall, Thomas Kyrton, Rogerson's tenant of Wighton, Betts, a priest in Old Walsingham, and one Parker, a glover, had escaped. Similar story to the preceding. Knew the persons aforenamed, for he had been servant to Smyth's father, and arrested him at Lyn for 11*s.* wages.

Robert Crome, prisoner on suspicion of felony, heard nothing, but "saw a piece of paper about the breadth of a groat flying abroad in the castle, and stamped in the water by James Biggis, his fellow that he was coupled unto." Heard Biggis this day say certain sheep should be given to those who should rise against the King.

James Byggis, prisoner on suspicion of felony, gives evidence similar to Clerk's. Rogerson "rent a paper in pieces as small as pence of two pence."

Johnson and Clerk would not disclose the above till they might speak with Mr. Sheriff. This day they showed it to Henry Payn, servant to Sir William Drury, sheriff of Norfolk, who informed the justices. *Signed* by Touneshend, Jermy, Holdych, and Clere.

Pp. 5, *stained and worn. Endd.:* Concerning the insurrection in Norfolk.

8 June. **57.** Sir Wm. Parre to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a letter just arrived by the bearer about unlawful assemblies and riots at Lincoln. Wishes to know the King's pleasure. Horton, 8 June, 4 p.m. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

8 June. **58.** Sir Wm. Brereton to Cromwell.

R. O. I examined Piers Feldye and showed him, by the way as I came homeward, that there was no way for him but death, and your Lordship had sent him into this country to suffer, urging him to declare the truth. He confessed that he was promised his pardon by Sir Piers Dutton, to which he had trusted till then, but that he would now tell the truth, which I think he has done. I made a book of his confessions (enclosed), and after coming to Chester examined him before the mayor and aldermen and divers friends of Dutton. I desire instructions what to do, and beg you to remember the causes I moved your Lordship in when I was with you; also to know your Lordship's pleasure touching certain recognisances forfeited by two of Dutton's servants, as he has a *supersedeas* for himself and all his servants. Chester, 8 June. *Signed.*

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58. Sir Wm. Brereton to Cromwell—*cont.*

ii. Confession of Piers Feldy, condemned to death, made at Chester, 5 June, 29 Hen. VIII., before Sir Wm. Brereton, Sir Wm. Stanley, Wm. Gudman, mayor of Chester, Wm. Davidson, David Myddelton, and Hen. Gee, aldermen, Wm. Stanley, John Mascy of Podyngton, and Rob. Chauntrell.

He confesses having slandered Rondulf Brereton of Chester, deceased, and that Sir Piers Dutton, George Holford, Piers Rauffson, and Ric. Mascy, servants to Sir Piers, procured him many times at Islington, when he was in "his" custody there, to accuse the said Randolph of treason for receiving and uttering naughty crowns. Dutton then said, "Feldy, the same Rondulph hath done me many high displeasures," and desired him to depose that he and Robert Hale brought to the said Randolph certain gold of false coin, telling him that the said Hale's father and the same Randolph were very great, and the thing would be easily believed against him. He wished him also to say that he was acquainted with the said Randolph by having sold him partridges, which he was wont to take and bring to Chester, and he promised to get him his pardon if he so deposed. Feldy did so, although he knew no such matter against the said Randolph. Feldy prays to be suffered to ask forgiveness of his wife, children, and friends, and also of one Roger Ince, whom at Dutton's instigation he accused untruly of delivering naughty crowns to the said Brereton.

Dutton also moved him to accuse Rauf Rogerson of Chester of treason, and when Feldy said he knew not what to lay against him, asked, "Is there no bare fellow that thou might say were of counsel, and should be by when he should have some naughty gold delivered him?" Feldy said there was John Armestronge, a pickpurse, and Dutton told him to allege that Armestronge had delivered him coining irons, and that they had met in Cotton wood and struck certains crowns there. He also says that when in prison in Chester Castle, Ralph Manning, under-sheriff of Cheshire, Geo. Holford, servant to Mr. Dutton, and Wm. Glasiour of Chester, procured him to accuse Piers Bruyn of Tervyn of treason, and that he had 13 crowns delivered by Feldy and John Cotgreve. Sir Piers Dutton also did the same in going towards London, near Lichfield. Dutton also moved him to accuse Sir John Donne, Sir Rondolf Pole, clerk, and Sir Wm. Pole, knight, and get them up on a charge of having received naughty crowns of Stephen Sumpnour, when he was Donne's tenant. Dutton also urged him to accuse some great men, putting him in comfort that as he (Dutton) was in favour with the King and his Council, and had been made sheriff again, he need not fear of his pardon; trusting to which promises he neglected opportunities of escaping from the custody of Sir Piers, and went many times through divers sanctuaries, as Westminster and St. Martin's, he and one John Frodesham, both prisoners in the custody of Dutton's servant, Hen. Ledesham. Afterwards, when the abbot of Norton and John Janyn were brought up, and there was no man to prove the matter laid against them, Dutton desired Feldy to accuse them, and lady Dutton sent for him from Islington to her lodging in London, promising him a new coat to do as her husband desired. Also, when it was known that he should be committed to the Tower and delivered out of Dutton's custody, Dutton and his servants strongly urged him to stick to his tale, or it would be impossible to get him a pardon: relying on which promise he repeatedly denied that his evidence was procured by anyone. It was also arranged that some of Dutton's servants should be present at his examination, and that, if any one were named whom Dutton wished to accuse, one of the servants who knew his mind should hold up his finger, and if any one were named whom he wished not to accuse, the servant should put down his hand. Also, if the accusations were well taken before the Council, Feldy, when he saw any of Dutton's servants, was to hold up his finger, and if they were not well

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taken he was to hold it down. He was so much in Dutton's power that he would have accused his own father, whom he knew to be a true man, if so commanded. Also he saw John Wynbury, who was servant to Sir Piers, deliver to Ralph Manning 13 naughty crowns in the house of Hugh Hanky at Chester, and Wynbury afterwards told him George Holford could utter them well. Robert Hale also told him that he had delivered many naughty crowns to Manning in taverns at Chester. Also Jankyn Aldersey had many delivered to him by Robert Hale and Thomas Cotgreve at Besewik's house in Chester and at a tavern by the East Gate. They had also delivered many to Hugh Thewley, of Yorkshire, clothier, in Feldy's presence.

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8 June. **59.** Sir Arthur Darcy to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 240. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 158.

Was with my lord Lieutenant at the suppression of Gervayes, which is wholly covered with lead, "and there is one of the fairest churches I have seen, fair meadows and the river running by it and a great demesne." The King is at great charge for his stud of mares at Thornbury. Suggests that Gervayes would be a suitable place, where the breed of horses was "the tryed breed in the North." Has, through my lord Lieutenant, recovered much of his goods of Coverham. Went from Gervayes to Salley, where he found a chalice that was "brybbed" from the King before the suppression, a book of debts of the house, and a "barkhawes" stored with leather. Desires licence for 14 days to come up and despatch his debts. Has desired Mr. Solymontt to remind Cromwell of his (the writer's) causes. Wastes the King's money here at Pomfret; for the North "was never in a more dreadful and true obeisance." I beg your favour: it is showed me that the King would again survey my lands and Mr. Chancellor sent to me that it was thought I had deceived the King. You know I might have had St. Lenardes which is 300 mks. better than my lands in the first survey. I refused that and never knew what Salley was till it was granted. Mr. Fermer and Mr. Montagew would have given 600 mks. yearly for Grenesnorton, and in consideration thereof, and with my wife in marriage, the King gave me my lands unsurveyed. If the King will have my rentals I will bring them myself. 8 June.

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8 June. **60.** J. de Morbecque to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O.

Asks him to allow Lanselot de le Maurrye to pass with two tuns of wine d'Auxerrois for his own use. Tournehen Castle, 8 June. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

8 June. **61.** Madeleine, Queen of Scotland, to Francis I.

Ribier i. 32.

Since the king of Scotland sent for Maître Francisque, the physician, she has much recovered, but if he come he will assist to her complete cure. M. de Limoges, who has taken the greatest care of her in the journey to Scotland, can give the news. Islebourg, 8 June.

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8 June. **62.** Florence.

Add. MS. 28,589 f. 324. B.M.

Note of the dates of the oaths of fealty made to Cifuentes on behalf of the Emperor, of the governors of the castles of Florence, Pisa and Livorno, *i.e.* 4, 7 and 8 June 1537.

Spanish, p. 1. *Modern note of archives at Simancas.*

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9 June. R. O. **63.** GEO. WOLFET, Clerk of the Closet to the King, to LORD LISLE.

I beg you to accept my continual suit ever since you were at court at the King's being at Canterbury, for the preferment of an old servant of mine to petty wages. I have been bold divers times to write to my lady about it. Hampton Court, 9 June. I enclose some cramp rings for my lady.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

10 June. R. O. **64.** CHARTER HOUSE, LONDON.

Surrender by Wm. Trafford, prior, and the convent (considering that the majority of them and not a few others of their convent, both alive and dead, have so by their offences provoked the King's indignation against them and their priory that they deserve, by the laws of England, to have the goods and possessions of their priory confiscated and they themselves to suffer the severest death, and therefore they would rather throw themselves upon the King's mercy than abide the rigor of the law) to the King, their founder, of the monastery and all its possessions in England and elsewhere in the King's dominions. 10 June 1537, 29 Hen. VIII. *No signatures, seal slightly broken.* [*See* Eighth Report of D. K. of Public Records, App. II. 28.]

Enrolled [*Close Roll* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1 *No.* 16.] with mem. of acknowledgment the same day before Thos. Bedyll, clk.

10 June. R. O. **65.** A CARMELITE PREACHER.

The information of Francys Turpyn of the words and preaching of Robert Austyn, White Friar, in the church of St. Bride's in Fleet Street, "the 10th day of June* of this present month." 1st. That he did not pray for grace. 2. That he omitted the reverence due to his Prince and Supreme Head under God. 3. That he did not preach against the usurped power of the bishop of Rome, according to the commission lately proclaimed by the bp. of London. 4. That he had abused a preacher who had preached at St. Bride's on the gospel of the Rich Man and Lazarus for applying it to women. 5. Item, he said although the rich man in that parable had no name, "yet right well he might have named his steward called *Nemo.*" 6. That the preacher aforenamed called Our Lady a maintainer of bawdery.

As he left the pulpit informant asked him by whose authority he preached, and he replied by the bishop of London's. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* Robert Austyn, frear Carmelytan.

10 June. R. O. **66.** ELYNOR, COUNTESS OF RUTLAND, to LADY LISLE.

Is glad to hear she is in good health. Thanks her for the cherries and peasecods sent by the bearer. Received the heart of gold but lately, and sends it by the bearer. The King and Queen are in good health and merry. Hampton Court, 10 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

10 June. R. O. **67.** JOHN MORES to CROMWELL.

Last night Sir William Knotton, priest, professed in Syon, departed thence over the walls and was brought to me by the constables of Braynefforde about 5 o'clock in the morning. He declared he was going to sue to your Lordship for release from his religion, and as he hath other things to shew I was at Chelsey with him by 7 o'clock this morning, where I learnt your remove towards the Court. The said William is in custody of William

* If the 10th of June was a Sunday, the year must have been 1537.

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Gawyne one the constables aforesaid and has not spoken with any of the religious of Syon. Mr. Matstone, steward of Syon, and I, are to ride tomorrow to keep my Lady's courts in Sussex. What is to be done with the said Sir William? Syon, 10 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 June. **68.** Sir Roger Touneshend, Sir Thos. Le Straunge, Wm. Fermour, Henry Bedyngfeld, and Wm. Yelverton to Cromwell.

R. O. Send the depositions of certain prisoners in Norwich Castle against certain other persons. Ask for instructions. 10 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 10 June 1537.

R. O. 2. "Examinations severally taken before Sir Roger Touneshend and Sir Thos. Lestraunge, kt.," 10 June 29 Hen. VIII., touching the information of John Clerke given to the above, and other justices, at Norwich Castle 8 June, "that Jas. Hendley and Harry Capron should have heard all such words as he hath reported as well as he."

1. Jas. Hendley, who was one of the prisoners in Norwich Castle when Sir Nic. Myleham, Ralph Rogerson and others were imprisoned there for treason, says that he, two friars of Burnham, Harry Capron, Rob. Hawker, Andrew Paxe, John Mapylton, Thos. Arthur and Ric. Love (which Richard lay there for felony) were all in one house within the prison and could not come near the said Myleham, Rogerson, Gysborous and others, who were in another house, and were commanded not to come near where they were; and if Myleham and his company came to the chapel they departed to their house again and they never spoke together.

2. Harry Capron says that none of Myleham's company ever came near them except at the anthem of Our Lady, when their company was in the chapel and Myleham's in a little house five or six yards off; but they departed without communication, except two or three nights at first, when Myleham and the two friars kneeled together at the altar and they kneeled behind them.

3. Robert Dobydo *alias* Gygges of Wyghton denies holding any communications.

4. And so does Will. Hall of Wyghton.

5. Sir Will. Bettes of Old Walsingham, priest, in answer to a charge by Ralph Rogerson and others, says he was not conversant with Sir Nic. Myleham, Ralph Rogerson nor Gysborough, nor has spoken with him these three years except to say good morrow; and that he never spoke such words or heard any such spoken as he is accused of. (*This article is signed by deponent.*)

6. Thos. Dyrton of Wyghton never heard Ralph Rogerson speak any words concerning the offences he died for.

7. Will. Parker of Old Walsingham never heard Myleham, Rogerson, Gysborowe or any other man speak of the Walsingham conspiracy.

The said Dobydo being examined whether one John Clarke, now in prison in Norwich, ever dwelled with him, says he came to his house before Christmas last, desiring service; that he gave him work in threshing and let him a house to dwell in, where he remained till Candlemas, when he broke up a staircase in the night and carried off some garments from a tailor and disappeared. A man afterwards came seeking him for another robbery. *Signed* by the writers of § 1.

Pp. 3. *Endd.*

ii. Schedule attached, containing the holograph deposition of John Smyth confessing that he went and came from London in Mich. term, in Ralph Rogerson's company, having by fortune met him on the way; but all else he denies.

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10 June. **69.** Sir George Lawson to Cromwell.

R. O. Has sent three ships to Berwick with corn, which is already laid up in the King's garners there. Has bought more to be sent thither with diligence, so that the town will be well victualled. Goes thither next week to pay the wages, and means to return shortly to wait upon the King and Cromwell at their repair to these parts. Hopes Cromwell will lodge in his house at York. The captain of Berwick writes continually for urgent repairs at Berwick, for which he has no money. Desires letters to the abbot of St. Mary's for 200*l.* Will make true account at his coming. The repairs of Sheriff Hutton castle have cost much. Begs that he be made receiver of the revenues of the monasteries and lands of attainted persons. York, 10 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

10 June. **70.** John Heliar, Priest, to Sir Anthony Wyndsor.

R. O. I commend myself to you and my lady your wife, thanking you for your goodness now in my absence, by whose wisdom I hear the parish is in good order. I hope my lady takes up the tithe buck and doe in the park, as I wrote almost two years since, asking her to be my deputy in that behalf, and not lose the old custom. I have appointed a little money to be bestowed within the parish of Estmeon, as the bearer will more largely inform you, and desire your help and counsel in bestowing it. Commend me to Rob. Leg and John Cowse, and mother Langrige and Laurence. Lovan, 10 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* At Estmeon. *Sealed. Endd.*

10 June. **71.** Card. Pole to Paul III.

Poli Epp. II. 59. Have arrived much tempest-tossed at the port where his Holiness foretold they would be in safety. That is, they have come to Liège which, though only two days' journey from where they were, it has taken them 40 days to reach. Profuse eulogy on the card. of Liège. As to Pole's mission, Verona wrote recently to the Prothonotary, his Holiness' secretary. Liège, 10 June 1537.

Latin.

10 June. **72.** Card. Pole to the Sacred College.

Poli Epp. II. 61. Since it was piety alone which prompted the Pope and them to send him into this province, and piety made him the more readily undertake the mission, events are to be borne with equanimity. Commends the card. of Liège, in whose city he is safe from the dangers which surrounded him. Asks their prayers. Liège, 10 June 1537.

Latin.

10 June. **73.** Card. Pole to Card. Contarini.

Poli Epp. II. 64. Thanks him for the trouble he has taken with the Pope about Pole's money matters, as appears by his letter from Rome 12 May, received 5 June. Wishes the necessity for that trouble had not arisen; but the siege (as it may be called) they underwent in Cambray for nearly 40 days, and the escort of cavalry and herald required to take them through the province of France to Liege, of course entailed extraordinary expenses. Hopes he is not annoyed that Pole commissioned Priolus to write of it. Economical conduct of his household under the rule of the bp. of Verona.

It will best show the state of England if he explains the attempts made against himself; and therefore he enclosed copy of his letter to the Pope. So far all he has done in his embassy is to get to a place of comparative safety. Even here before two days [were over] an Englishman arrived for purposes of treachery (*insidiandi causa*), as Pole learned by letters to the

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man from the English ambassador in Flanders, which were intercepted. In these it was written, if he could do that which they had talked of he should gain great favour of the King and due reward. The man came hither pretending he was exiled from England and had no means of living, and therefore desired to be taken into Pole's household. Had he remained one night longer in the city he should have gone to prison; but, either getting wind of this or being conscience stricken, though he arrived in the evening he left the city before light. Priolus' letters will tell more of such things.

Cannot write of the progress of the cause, as Verona is away at Brussels. Is sure those who defend the cause this third time will win gloriously; though it seems now twice conquered, once in Ireland, *Deo duce providente*, and again in England, God, as I myself think, exhorting the people. But whatever way God provides, the goodness of the cause and the wickedness of the adversaries will be manifest. Rejoices at what Contarini writes of the Pope's good will for Reformation; and no less in those chapters of Philip Melanchthon which, with Contarini's learned opinion thereupon, he has read, and takes hope that, the Pope persevering in the censure of morals, there will not in the rest be so great a controversy. Liege, 10 June 1537.

Latin.

11 June. **74.** Robert Dalyvell.

Cleop. E. iv. 128*. B. M. Confession of Robt. Dalyvell, of Royston, Herts, before John Martyn, Edw. Annesley, Ric. Chambre, and Wm. Chambre, of Royston, Peter Robynson, Ric. Gollthorpe, and Tristram Teshe, of York, 11 June 29 Hen. VIII.

That he said the King shall not live a month after the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in 1538 if he do not amend his conditions; and before that time a horse worth 10*s.* "shall be able to bear all the noble blood of England." *Signed by the examiners.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the preceding, *p* 1.

R. O. 3. Memoranda for the examination of Dalyvell.

1. To ask him when he was last in Scotland, and why he went thither? 2. How long, and with whom he dwelled there? 3. What he heard of the King and realm, and from whom? 4. With whom he spake and where he stayed in the North on his journey? 5. Whether he has heard of any prophecies? 6. If any religious person has read him any prophecies? 7. To how many people he has told the matters contained in the two articles. 8. What he said to the Scotchman who told him of the effect of the matter contained in the two articles. 9. How long ago and how often the angel appeared to him?

P. 1. *In Cromwell's hand. Endd.:* The confession of Dalyvell.

11 June. **75.** Sir Wm. Parre to Cromwell.

R. O. Received last night his letters of the 6th and 9th, and set forward to-day to accomplish them. Has not got the muniments of Barlinges, as Cromwell supposes,[1] but will get what he can. Wrote that he had books which were the abbot's, of divinity and the like, and asks what to do with them. Horton, 11 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir Wm. Parr. 11 June 1537.

11 June. **6.** Lord Leonard Grey and Brabason to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. II. 440. At the end of last Easter term the untruth of the traitor O'Connor was debated in Parliament. His pledges for payment of 800 kine and for

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76. LORD LEONARD GREY and BRABASON to CROMWELL—*cont.*

keeping peace had been in the King's hands over a year. A "journey" was decreed against him with 14 days' victuals, to start on Monday after Ascension Day* under the Deputy, accompanied by Brabason, treasurer of the wars, and the Chief Justice, by way of West Meath and Maghe Thogan's country. At the same time Ossory, with O'More and McGilpatrick, was to advance through O'More's country. The writers thereupon set out and came to the King's manor of Rathwere, where they found the barons of Delvin and Slane, the lord of Killen, and the Plunkettes, 100 of Mr. Seyntloos men, and 100 kern out of Wexford county. Lay there that Tuesday night, and on Wednesday came to Maghethogan's country. On Thursday took pledges of Maghethogan and O'Mulmoy, and accompanied by them, entered O'Connor's country, and took Brakland Castle, which they delivered to Kair O'Connor. In the castle was the "gossope" to the said Kair, who had induced the others to surrender, and was pardoned, and two or three prisoners; all the others "had the pardon of Maynooth."† On Friday proceeded to the Dengyn Castle, five miles off over the marsh, and won "the diges and baon of the said castle" with the loss of but two men. Then until Monday, when "the great piece" came, kept close watch. Kair O'Connor begged that the castle should not be overthrown, but delivered to him. On Monday the "great piece," &c. arrived, and on Tuesday the battery was made in which the "great piece" was broken. The English then took the castle by assault, killing 18 men inside, and five "running to the wood." On the morrow, Wednesday, Ric. Butler came with certain horse and foot, saying his father had a sore knee, and could not come. That was eight days after the appointment. Have burnt and destroyed most of the country. Men say O'Connor fled to O'Caroll's country, who is Ossory's friend. Concluded with Ric. Butler, as his victuals were still unspent, that he should go and punish O'Caroll. Kair O'Connor, who has been an exile from that country two years, did good service, and promises O'Connor shall never return whilst he is there. O'Connor had been punished long ago, but that the army, having no money, had to wait until the King's revenues came in at Easter term. Help us with money and ordnance as the master of the ordnance here shall require. Dublin, 11 June. *Signed.*

Add. Lord Privy Seal.

12 June. **77.** HENRY VIII. to the DUKE OF NORFOLK.

R. O. St. P. I. 551.

We have received your letters of the 2nd inst., with those addressed to the lord Privy Seal, showing your loyal heart upon the news of the quickening of our wife the Queen, which you may be assured we shall have in good remembrance. We have in consultation with our Council in reference to your request what numbers of men should repair to attend us in the North, determined to put off our journey thither till another year. Reasons for this: 1. That the Emperor has sent hither to us a noble man with overtures for the weal of all Christendom, stating that he means to send two other personages of great honour. 2. That the Queen being now quick with child, she might be in danger from rumours blown abroad in our absence, and it is thought we should not go further than 60 miles from her. 3. That as the Emperor and the French king are now both in arms and have each great numbers of men near the marches of Calais, we should be near at hand to prevent a breach of neutrality. 4. We have not visited the North since the beginning of our reign and the year is so far spent and the country so wasted that we could hardly get beyond York, whereas next year we might visit Hull, Carlisle, Newcastle, Durham, and Berwick. For these reasons, and

* Apparently Monday after Trinity Sunday was the date intended by the writers.
† *i.e.*, were beheaded.

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those which you signified to us by Maunsell when you desired to know our decision about our journey, both for a pardon to be otherwise granted to put the people out of fear and for the stay of their preparations, we have determined to send down a personage of honour with our said pardon, and we desire you to proclaim this in York and in all such towns as you can easily visit, by your own mouth. As to your suit to return, although we can hardly be so well served there we purpose shortly to revoke you and establish a standing council there to keep those countries in quiet and administer justice. Let us know by your next letters your advice on this subject, what persons ye think meet for the said council and how you find the country disposed. Finally, on the arrival here of Thomas Strangways we find he has been a most arrant traitor and continues in his treasons, labouring to excuse wholly lord Darcy and Constable, and speaking as if our subjects there much repined at their punishments, saying also they are more meet to rule than you and better beloved. It would be well, therefore, to have them executed about Doncaster, and that we should send the said Darcy, Constable and Aske down for that purpose. If you think this good, make arrangements accordingly.

Thus we have declared to you the causes that have specially moved us to put off our intended journey, which you are to set forth as above expressed. But to be frank with you, which you must keep to yourself, a humour has fallen into our legs, and our physicians advise us not to go so far in the heat of the year, even for this reason only.

Draft with corrections in Wriothesley's hand. Endd.: Minute of letters to my lord Norfolk 12° Junii 1537.

R. O. 2. Draft of the principal portion of the preceding letter with many corrections, amongst other things altering the form throughout from the first person ("we") to the third ("the King's Majesty") and introducing in one place the expression "the said Duke and Marquis," showing, apparently, that it was intended at one time to associate Exeter with Norfolk in the execution of these instructions.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 15. *A copy of this draft will be found among the Rymer Transcripts in the British Museum, Add.* 4622, *f.* 31.

R. O. 3. Causes to be declared to the world why the King has given up his intended progress to York for this year.

The reasons given are the same as in § 1, but in a different order.

If the King be pleased at the request of his Council to defer his journey in order to reassure the people and prevent them making further preparations some nobleman or noblemen should be sent down with his pardon [*in margin:* The marquis of Exeter, the earl of Sussex, viscount Beauchamp, the lord Admiral]; the same to have an entertainment for his charges as he or they might with their trains consume and spend such victuals as be already prepared for the "———

Imperfect. In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 4. *Badly mutilated.*

12 June. **78.** HENRY VIII. to GARDINER.

Add. MS. 25,114, f. 267. B. M. Has received his sundry letters, viz., those he wrote to the King on the departure of Sir Francis Brian, "with the French book, written in form of a tragedy, sent unto us by the same," and those sent by Layton, containing a conference between Gardiner and the Great Master. Wonders that on his first having knowledge of the said book and the malice of it, he did not apply to the French king to have it suppressed. As sundry copies and impressions of it have got abroad, Gardiner is to tell the French king and the Great Master how much Henry is grieved that it should have been written in the house of his ambassador in England, "and now there (in France?) imprinted."

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78. HENRY VIII. to GARDINER—*cont.*

Is to urge that all copies may be taken in and suppressed, leaving the punishment of the devisers to their discretion. Understands that the author was one Carle, attendant upon the French ambassador. Though Gardiner has already been informed by the lord Privy Seal of the King's intention to recall him, the King cannot change his ambassador in this troubled time. Peter Larke shall be reimbursed the money laid out by Gardiner for posts. Hampton Court, 12 June, 29 Hen. VIII.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 3. *Add.:* The Bp. of Winchester, our ambassador in France. *Endd.*

12 June. **79.** MONASTERY EXEMPTED FROM SUPPRESSION.

See GRANTS in JUNE, No. 10.

12 June. **80.** ROBERT DALYVELL.

Calig. B. I. 122. B. M.

"The sayings of Robert Dalyvell the 12th day of Junii, the 29th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord king Henry VIII." [on his examination in the Tower].*

(1.) He came from Scotland "a month before Lammas was twelvemonth;" —went there "to learn cunning in the craft of a saddler." (2.) Dwelt at Edinburgh with one William Sadyller, in the parish of St. Margaret's or St. Andrew's (cannot remember which) for eight weeks complete. (3.) Heard divers Scotchmen, chiefly light persons, but some of reputation, say they read in books of prophecy that their King should be crowned king of England in London before Midsummer day three years or a month after. Cannot remember their names. Divers Scots, householders in Chesterstrete, six miles from Newcastle (servants of one Aleyn), said their King was most worthy to be king of England, being next of blood. (4.) Spoke with no man in the North of this, except the Scots in Chesterstrete. Remained there working with one Nicholson three weeks; before that, worked in York a fortnight, and at Gatessyde another fortnight with Nicholson's son; thence went to his uncles, Sir John and Robert Dalyvell, and to one Thomas Cramlyngton; remained one week and went to Scotland. (5.) No Englishman ever read or told him any prophecies; but when he was in Scotland "the Scots that railed before, read the prophecies of Marlyn in his hearing." (6.) Had known many religious men, but they never read prophecies to him or spoke of them even in confession. (7.) Never told anyone of the contents of the two articles till Monday last, when he mentioned them, unsolicited, to a gentleman's servant in the stable at the Greyhound, Royston. (8.) Did not venture to reply to the Scots in their own country, but told those in Chesterstrete they were false traitors, and their master Aleyn rebuked them. (9.) The angel appeared to him twice; first on Tuesday night after Palm Sunday at midnight, his wife being asleep, then on the Wednesday following, saying, "Arise, and show your prince that the Scots would never be true to him."

"And according to your lordship's commandment, the Thursday at afternoon I brought him to the rack and there strained him, using such circumstances as my poor wit would extend to; but more cannot I get of him than this. Yesternight I proved him at his first coming, and about 8 of the clock again, and in the morning after again, by fair means and also by threatenings." *Signed:* "Per me, Edmundum Walsyngham."

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* *See* No. 74 (3).

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12 June. **81.** Sir Thos. Tyrell to the Duke of Suffolk.*

Cleop. E. iv., 124.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 160.

The vicar of Mendyllsham† my neighbour has at Pentecost last brought home his woman and children to his vicarage, openly declaring he is married to her. This act is in this country a monster, and many grudge at it; but as he declares the King knows he is married, they refrain from doing what they would, and our ordinary dare do nothing.

Begs to know how to reform his open crime, which is a bad example to other carnal evil disposed priests. 12 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

12 June. **82.** Richard Pollard to Cromwell.

R. O.

Was entertained at York by Sir Geo. Lawson, who accompanied him to Shirefhoton. As he had attended upon the duke of Norfolk at the suppression of Byrdlington and Jervaulx, asked him to accompany him to Byrdlington. Suggests his being appointed receiver for these forfeit lands. Brydlington, 12 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 June. **83.** Arthur, Lord Lisle, to Cromwell.

R. O.

This day at 3 p.m. lord Butler and Sir Geo. Carre (*sic*) arrived with your lordship's letter, which I will accomplish. I received from you two letters of late, one concerning the country and denizens, which will be troublesome to execute, but I will do my best; the other that I and the Council should examine a matter, which we have done. I enclose a letter from a servant of mine, who has lain all this year at Roan, both for my business in the provision of wines and for his own. Calais, 12 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 June. **84.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

Is very grateful for her manifold goodness. Has had a reasonable fair passage, though not of the shortest. At his coming, neither Justice nor his son were at home. Waited for him this morning, according to her commands, and he has made an end with the clothier, who is a very lewd fellow. Young Justice will take the clothes over by the next passage. They are very honest folks. Yesternight I killed part of the quails, and this morning the rest, but not more than seven of them were fat, so I chose two dozen of the best to take with me, and gave the rest to the master of the Maison Dieu and Mr. Whalley in your ladyship's name. Those sent hereafter should be picked. The first that were sent were as good as these, except some seven of them. I send the cage by young Justice. I beg you not to be displeased with Sendye. My taking him over has done him good. God send you a fair son. Canterbury, 12 June.

Commend me to Mr. Basset and the second person, and to Mr. George. Chowbakon sends commendations to you and my lord and Mr. Basset, and to Jack his brother, and to all other except Mr. Spigot, whose name he says makes him more than half drunk.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

12 June. **85.** John Whalley to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

I thank you and my lady for your many kindnesses. I have received your letter by John Hussey. I thank your lordship for your pains in behalf of my kinsman Thos. Bryan. Mr. Mayor of Calais has stopped the suit,

* Wright erroneously heads this letter "Thomas Tyrell to Cromwell."

† Thomas Borow is named as vicar of Mendlesham in the Valor Eccl. iii. 480. But this vicar may be his successor.

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85. JOHN WHALLEY to LORD LISLE—*cont.*

but I would give him a thousand thanks more to do justice, and that he be not put off any longer. My lord Chancellor and my lord Privy Seal have written to them to do justice. They pretended only to delay that they might see the deed of enfeoffment made by John Bingham of Calais to Bryan of Barton-upon-Humber. I beg you to call Mr. Mayor before you and examine him what he and his brethren stick upon. Dover, 12 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add.*

12 June. **86.** THOMAS ALEN to CROMWELL.

Lamb. 607. f. 20.

My lord Deputy proceeded into O'Chonour's country the Tuesday after Trinity Sunday, entering it on the West between O'Mulmoy, McGoghegan's and O'Molaghlyn's countries, his neighbours and aiders, whom he bound to the King by oaths. No host has passed with carts that way heretofore, it being all wood and marshes. He then marched to O'Chonour's castle, called Braghnoll, which he took, beheading all the ward but three, who were preserved to show his lordship the ways of another of his castles, called in Irish Dengin, *i.e.*, the castle of Most Assurance. He encamped half a mile from it;—could get no nearer for the moor, and could only approach by a causey. My lord caused faggots to be made to repair it, and to fill great double ditches, "so strong and so large have not been seen in this land heretofore," and appointed "my fellow," Martin Pellis, captain of his 100 footmen, and a captain of Seintlowe's to defend the labourers. The ward came out and skirmished with them, wounded Mr. Seintlowe's captain in the arm with a handgun and killed several men, but Martin won the outer works. My lord gained the place at length with as little loss as could be in taking so strong a hold, for in all the land is none like it, being so strong in itself and also so well manned, ordnanced, and victualled. Their gunners were such good marksmen that few spoke after they shot them. Sir Will. Skeffington, when he approached these castles with 1,700 Englishmen, Ossory, the whole Englishry, O'Donell's, McGwiers, O'Raile's, and other Irishmen's aids, did not the tenth part of the hurt this journey has done. All the inhabitants "rejoice much this journey" and thank God the King has sent them such a governor. Dublin, 12 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *See Carew Calendar, No.* 100.

13 June. **87.** SIR JOHN SHELTON'S CHAMBER.

R. O.

Articles whereof Thos. Bromel, servant to Giles Lamander, tailor, was examined in the porter's lodge at Murtlayk, 13 June, 29 Hen. VIII., with his answers.

1. How long he had the key and custody of the chamber of Sir John Shelton, "steward of house" to my lady Mary? His said master delivered it to him at 7 a.m. on Corpus Christi day last, and he kept it only till near sunset that day. 2. Where he was all that forenoon? In the said chamber till dinner time. 3. What company he had with him? Mr. Torrall and one Pyrraunce came up and were there an hour. The former played the virginals and lute; the latter "loked of a book" in the great closet. Meanwhile respondent retired into the bedchamber to look after certain plate and apparel and see if the door in the fore end of the gallery were made fast; then into the gentlewomen's chamber, which was far from the said closet, and looked out of the window. After an absence from them of half an hour or more he suddenly met in the gallery Mr. Torrall, who asked where the gentlewomen's chamber was, and having shown him, he asked Mr. Torrall whether he could go hence or no, who said yea. He then came to Pyrraunce and called him as he was reading. Pyrraunce desired him to tarry mass in the closet, but he would not, so they came down together, and on leaving commanded Bromell to take good heed of the chamber.

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4. Where he was all the afternoon? "After dinner he went to the said chamber again, whereunto came one Master Hall, and played of the virginals and the lute, and within the space of a quarter of an hour went down; and this said respondent tarried there the space of one hour alone sewing a pair of fustian sleeves. And in the meantime he, hearing certain pastime of the river, locked the fore door and went down through the chapel, leaving that door open, not remembering whether he barred it at any time after or no. And so he went down to the river and tarried there one hour seeing pastime there, and at his home coming sat a quarter of an hour at the gate, and after returned to the said chamber again, and there sat sewing to it was supper time; and soon after supper Master Steward come home, with whom he went to the chamber, there leaving the said key."

5. Where he was all Friday? All the forenoon he was labouring with his master, and after dinner he was examined of the premises and committed to custody till the Monday next, the 4th inst. He has since been at liberty till this day.

6. Whether he took any money or gold out of a certain casket? He says no, with horrible oaths. 7. Whether he saw any casket on a table in a little close closet beside the great closet? Never saw the said closet door open in his life. 8. Whether he ever spied the "staply" of the lock that hangs at the said little closet door loose? Never marked it. 9. Whether he had any communication with Torrall or Pyrrance since he had the said key? No.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

13 June. **88.** Arthur Russhe to Cromwell.

R. O. His father* is dead, making Cromwell, Mr. Godsalve, and the writer's cousin, Bambruyth, his executors; so Russhe and the others will do nothing concerning the burying till they know Cromwell's pleasure.

Sends his father's will. After the burial, he and the executors will wait upon Cromwell. Desires to have the receivership of the duchy of Lancaster in Norfolk and Suffolk. Would give Cromwell 40*l.* He and the bearer, his kinsman, one of the executors, would have the office jointly. Ipswich, 13 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Ld. Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

R. O. 2. "Remembrance for Sir Thomas Russhe his goods."

Plate delivered to Mr. Thakker, 180*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* A chain delivered to Thos. Averey worth 60*l.* "Cattle" delivered to Nasyngburye, 68*l.* Debts payable at days, 364*l.* Owing by Bamburgh for wethers and corn, 150*l.*; 900 sheep at Alborough worth 120*l.*; 80 steers, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; 500 ewes at Ikyng, 40*l.* Total, 1,049*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*, of which 423*l.* 16*s.* are to be paid for legacies and 447*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* for debts.

There further remain at Snape 500 sheep and 20 kine claimed by Mrs. Russhe, and valued at 48*l.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* My lord his remembrances.

13 June. **89.** Lewis Thomas, Suffragan Bishop of Shrewsbury.

See Grants in June, No. 14.

14 June. **90.** Robert Lorde to Cromwell.

R. O. I have been receiving part of the tenths of the abpric. of York, and have delivered to the masters of the Mint 1,000*l.* Cannot get more than 500*l.* of the treasurer of the Augmentations, which was delivered to your servant Thos. Averey, and they say the said 1,000*l.* "is well nigh wrought in Irish money." Wishes more immediately. From my house in London, Thursday, 14 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

* Sir Thomas Rushe. *See* Inq. p. m. 29 Hen. VIII., No. 66, upon his son, the writer of this letter, who died 2 July 1537, apparently very soon after his father.

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14 June. **91.** THOS. BEDYLL to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. IV. 217. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 162. Ellis I. ii. 76.

The monks of the Charterhouse at London who were committed to Newgate are almost despatched by the hand of God, as appears by the bill enclosed, whereof, considering their behaviour, I am not sorry. I beg you, out of charity only, to favour the prior, who is as honest a man as ever was in that habit, and has laboured for the reformation of his brethren, and has now at last at my exhortation persuaded them to surrender their house and lands to the King. Thinks the prior should be rewarded: "he is a man of such charity as I have not seen the like." As to the Charterhouse, I pray it may be turned to a better use, "seeing it is in the face of our worle (world), and much communication will run thereof throughout this realm; for London is the common country of all England from which is derived to all parts of this realm all good and ill occurrent here." London, 14 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins:* My very good lord.

Ellis, ib.

ii. Enclosure above referred to. (*Pasted on back of the letter.*)

There be departed: brother Wm. Greenewode, Dan John Davye, brothers Robt. Salt and Walter Peereson and Dan Thomas Greene. There be even at the point of death: brothers Thos. Scryven and Thos. Reedyng. There be sick: Dan Thomas Jonson and brother Wm. Hore. One is whole: Dan Bird.

14 June. **92.** RICHARD POLLARD to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Before he came to these parts the duke of Norfolk had been to Bridlington and taken the jewels of the church, the vestments, plate, oxen, and great part of the sheep. Has got more silver and some gold in the church, which he has sent to the Duke to be sent to London with the other. Has sold the sheep and stuff by advice of Sir Marmaduke Constable the elder and Ric. Bellyces. It was the worst stuff he ever saw in any house of reputation, and great part was stolen by the poor people before his coming. Has done nothing with the church, and the lands of the church, and the houses. It stands within half a mile of the sea, and is far in decay. The most profit is to be made out of the lead; 500 mks. has been offered him for the lead of a barn. Has not sold the glass nor the bells. Has offered the demesnes to the inhabitants between this and Michaelmas, and also the corn in the field, but they offer nothing like. Sends a book with a description of the church and monastery. Never saw so needy people as they are in these parts. They made great spoil and robbery before his coming. Sends a survey of the manor of Bulmer, sometime the inheritance of Sir John Bulmer, to know if it is according to his mind. Mr. Lentall takes great pains. The country is in good obedience. They are glad they are the King's tenants. As far as he has surveyed, there will be due to the King at Michaelmas half a year's rent, and so is like to be in all Yorkshire, but they have not used to pay till St. Martin's day. Brydlyngton, 14 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 June. **93.** WILLIAM, LORD SANDYS, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Since closing his other letter has this day received Cromwell's of the 8th, declaring the King's satisfaction with his advice for the fortification of Guisnes Castle, and ordering him to send his Highness a platt both of the things to be done and of the fortifications he has made already, getting the surveyor and other expert men here to make an estimate of the cost. Will act accordingly, but the thing requires time, and money is wanted meanwhile to continue what is begun. When the platt is made a sum should be lodged in Mr. Treasurer's hands. The King's approval of his services has more revived his spirits than physicians and medicines could have done. Lord Buttler and Mr. Carow now being here, upon their "propalacion" of

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the King's licence to visit these parts, "for to see and know, as youth is always desirous," asked advice of Sandys whether to repair to the camp or "first to passe by Bridgese, and so forth to peruse the commodities of those parties unto my lady Regent's court." Advised them that to avoid suspicion they should first consider the commodities of the country (as they had published that their trade was necessary to be followed) and then present themselves to the Regent; after which they might visit the camp boldly. And this they intend to do. Calais, 14 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

Vesp. F. IX. 153. B. M.

2. "Since writing of my letter there is yet come unto me one other espial from Arras, this said 14th day of June." Count de Bure has charge of the Imperial army. Contingents of the prince of Orange, count of Hawstrate, De Lynee, the count of Pynnoye and Van Nasso, the duke d'Arscot, De Rewx, De Owsmond, De Istayn, De Bergus, Madam Regent, lord Bevers, and probably of the bishop of Liege.

Numbers of the Emperor's foot at Arras, Béthune, Aire, St. Omer's, and Tobynye. Mons. Thanys came to Douay on Saturday with 10,000 lanzknechts. Total, 38,000 foot with 45 pieces of ordnance.——Since the above was written news has come of the Imperialists laying siege to St. Pol.

In Sandys' hand, pp. 2. *Endd.:* "News of the Emperor's army."

15 June. **94.** Sir John Aleyn, Alderman, to Cromwell.

R. O.

Sent him a letter about a fortnight ago with articles concerning Thos. Beckwithe's unlawful usurpation on his lands in Yorkshire in the time of the last commotion. Though he was allied with the traitors in the North, after the King's pardon was granted, he vaunted himself to be on the King's side. Thinking this sounded towards treason, sent up the said letter and articles immediately upon receiving them. Did not do this for malice towards the young man. Asks him to acknowledge the receipt. 15 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 June. **95.** Edward Bacheler to Wriothesley.

R. O.

I must, according to my office, inform you how I stand here, for I am so much bound to you who pulled me out of the blind darkness of our old religion, and brought me to the light of learning in a university which has begun, and a house which continues to set forth the unfeigned verity of Christ's gospel. I have received from you 20*s.* I have let the benefice you gave me to one of Mr. Sothwell's servants for 3*l.*, and must make the repairs which are great; "for the chancel is supposed to fall." Will not get this year over 30*s.*, the priest's wages, &c., deducted, from the incumbent's death to Easter. Begs help for the fruits due at Michaelmas, 50*s.* St. John's College, 15 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Most honourable. *Endd.*

15 June. **96.** John Byrde, Suffragan Bishop of Penreth.

See Grants in June, No. 19.

15 June. **97.** Sir Arthur Darcy to Lady Owghtredd.

R. O.

Desires her to ask for the parsonage of Asskyrthe or Asskrygg for 40 years, at the old rent. It was in the abbot of Gervayx's hands. Will give her for it 100*l.* and a fair bed of pirled velvet. She can find what value the abbot set it to the King in Mr. Pollard's office above the Temple Gate.

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97. Sir Arthur Darcy to Lady Owghtredd—*cont.*

If she speaks but a word to the King she may have it. "If I do tarry here in the country, I would have been glad to have had you likewise, but sure it is, as I said, that some Southern lord shall make you forget the North." The duke of Norfolk is merry. Desires to be recommended to lord and lady Beauchamp. "I heard say that ye should have your train borne at Hennyngam. My lord of Oxford can tell you whose castle it is." 15 June.

Asks her to send to the earl of Northumberland to be good lord to the bearer in his right.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 June. **98.** John Butler to Cromwell.

R. O. Has "endeavoured himself" in the furtherance of Cromwell's servant Baynam, who is ill to please. If he would be reasonable could secure him all that is his due and more. Calais, 15 June 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 June. **99.** Adrien Lois to the Deputy of Guisnes.

R. O. In the absence of Mons. de Drenoultre I have received your letter. If the men of this garrison have carried off any cattle belonging to the French at Ballinghen within your jurisdiction I refer it to your discretion whether it be lawful prize or not; although if it was taken on French land as I understood, I think you would have no doubt of it. Tournehen, 15 June. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

16 (?) June. **100.** Duke of Norfolk to Henry VIII.

Howard's Lett. 272. On Thursday received his letters of the 16th [qu. 12th ?] "of this month," for which he thanks the King. Begs he will not spare his poor body as long as life remains. Since Sunday, has had his old disease of the flux. Commends the reasons which prevent the King from visiting "these parts for this year." Hopes in his words at York on Sunday to satisfy the men of the shire that you are contented in short time to send them your gracious pardon. Begs that 10 or 12 pardons may be sent under the great seal, with blank schedules annexed, in which he and the Council may insert such names as they think good, and so the less despair remain "in foolish, fearful heads." Thanks the King for consenting to discharge him from his office there. If the King knew in what case he has been, as well as Masters Thirlbee, Currey (Curren), and Wodale, he would think the duke had reason for wishing "to be out of this cold country, where hath been two days this week great frosts in the morning, with the most cold weather that ever I saw in such time of the year."

As to the Council, though there are two earls here, thinks it advisable there should either be a lieutenant, or the bishop of Durham as president. Sir Thomas Tempest, Sir Mar. Constable, Sir Will. Evans (Evers) Sir Ralph Ellewear (Ellerkar), Sir Brian Hastings, are fit to be members, but would do little without great charge to attend. Mr. Magnus is a good old man, but is less able every day; Fairfax, the serjeant, is a good man, but has his living in Westminster Hall. Babthorp is just and diligent, and Lowys (Bowys) has no equal in the North both for law and war; but both are badly paid. Wodall is fit to be secretary. Thinks the two doctors should have licence to return home. Recommends that Chaloner should be with the Council; he has done much to make the people conformable.

Sheriff Hutton, 12* June (*sic*).

* Probably an error for the 16th.

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16 June. **101.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Cannot recompense fully Cromwell's kindness in his absence. Will be his friend for life, "*groinge qui vouldray*," and begs him to keep this letter "to be objected unto me if ever fault of promise shall be found in me hereafter."

Has written at length to the King. Wodedall has desired him to write in his favour for the farm of the parsonage of Lethom, of which Sir John Bulmer had a lease not yet expired. Considering what Cromwell wrote about Lord Latimer, has contrived, with Mr. Pollard's help, to make him go to London as a suitor on his own affairs. Cannot discover any evidence but that he was enforced, and no man was in more danger of his life. Sheriff Hutton, 16 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

102. NORFOLK to [CROMWELL].

R. O. "My Lord" I require you to send me the bill, signed by the King, of the councillors and their fees. Also the copy of Bigot's bill "signed with your hand and the rest of the Council." Also to send by Wodall a banner of the King's arms. Praying favour for my servant Ralph Coke to get his bill signed, for he has paid his money to Sir George Lawson for it. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* Articles from my lord of Norfolk.

Titus B. I. 130. 2. The names of the Council of the North and number of *servants allowed in the house.**

B. M. Thos. duke of Norfolk, lieutenant, treasurer of England and earl Marshal.

Ralph earl of Westmoreland, Henry earl of Cumberland, Cuthbert bp. of Durham, president. Four servants each.

Sir Thos. Tempest, Sir Wm. Evers, Sir Marmaduke Constable, the elder, Sir Raff Ellercar, Sir Bryan Hastynges, Thos. Fairfax serjeant at law, Robt. Bowes, esq., Wm. Babthorpe, esq., Thos. Magnus, clk., Thos. Thirleby, clk., Ric. Corwen, clk., John Uvedale, gentleman, 2 servants each, and 10*l.* to each with the exception of the three clerks.

P. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 3. Names of the Councillors.

My lord of Durham, 24 servants 800*l.*, the earl of Westmoreland 6, earl of Cumberland 6, lord Dacres 5, [lord Latymer, 5],† Bp. of Landaphe 5,—20*l.*, Sir Wm. Evers 4, Sir Thomas Tempest 4—66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Sir Ralph Ellerker 4—66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Sir Marmaduke Constable 4—20*l.*, Mr. Magnus 4, Robert Bowes 4—66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Wm. Bapthorp 4—50*l.*, Robt. Chaloner 3—50*l.*, Fairfax the serjeant 3, Richard Bellices 3—20*l*, John Uvedal 3—33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Draft in Wriothesley's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Names of the councillors in the North.

R. O. 4. A list of names [suggested for the Council of the North ?]

My lord of Durham, earls of Westmoreland and Cumberland, lords Dacres and Latymer, Sir Wm. Evers, Sir Thos. Tempest, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Ralph Ellerker, Mr. Magnus, Robt. Bowes, Wm. Bapthrop, Robt. Chaloner, Fairfax the serjeant, John Uvedale.

P. 1. *Endd. by Wriothesley:*—Certain noble men's names of the North.

* The words in italics are added in Norfolk's hand. † Cancelled.

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102. Norfolk to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

R. O. 5. A list of [proposed] pensioners.

Sir Ralph Ellerker 40*l.*, Sir Henry Savel 40*l.*, Sir Brian Hastings 40*l.*, Sir George Darcy 20*l.*, Sir Reynold Carneby 20*l.*, Sir Ralph Evers 40*l.*, Wm. Thwaytes, Sir Oswald Ulsthorpe, Robt. Bowes, Sir Nich. Fairfax, 20*l.* each, John Beck 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In Cromwell's hand, p. 1. *Endd. by Wriothesley.* "Sums of money given to divers gentlemen of the North."

16 June. **103.** Paul III. to Charles V.*

Granvelle Papers II. 515 What he always feared has come to pass—that the Emperor's dispute with the French king would be destructive to the whole of Christendom. The enemy is almost at the door. The Turkish fleet is anchored off Apuglia. Hopes it may not have landed before Charles reads these letters. Has written to Francis and hopes now at last his voice will be regarded. Rome, 16 June 1537, pont. 3.

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16 June. **104.** Jo. Guidiccioni to ——

Vatican MS. Last night came the reply given by the king of England to Don Diego di Mendocia, who, as I wrote last, was sent by the Emperor. One may guess that nothing is concluded according to the Emperor's wish, because it is said the letters are old, of the 20th ult., and that Don Diego could not yet have spoken with the King: which does not tally well with the fact that the Emperor said he arrived on the 8th and expected an audience with the King within three days. Moreover I have ascertained that last night they had not finished the deciphering of Don Diego's letters, and I cannot see why he should have written so many important things unless he had spoken with the King. After my last on the 14th, perhaps upon this advice from England, the Emperor has appointed the Cortez at Monzon for St. James' day, and has said he will leave on the 18th of July. I think he will go to Barcelona rather than Flanders, where he cannot reasonably go without the aid (*intentione*) and friendship of that king. He thinks of getting the Cortez to grant full powers in his absence to the Prince his son, whom he will take thither with him.

The Emperor has news that the king of France has already raised the siege of Bethune,† and leaving a garrison of 6,000 Germans, 4,000 Italians, 4,000 French, and 800 lancers on the Flemish frontier, is coming towards Lyons and Savoy. Now Prince Doria reports that if the King does not come to Italy he will send the Grand Master and the Dauphin. There is a report, founded upon the preparations that are being made at Toulon and Marseilles, that the Turkish Armada will come to Provence and will there with other ships take on board a powerful band of Swiss for the enterprise of Genoa or else for an invasion of Valentia and Granada. Hears that the Moors of Valentia are already rendered very insolent by this news of the Turk, and there was a talk of disarming them. The king of France has stopped the passes into Spain. Mons. d'Orton who left with Don Diego to

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* The College of Cardinals wrote also to the Emperor on the same day (Gr. Papers II. 517); and the Emperor replied to both Pope and Cardinals from Monzon on the 20th August (Ib., 518, 523), exculpating himself, but expressing his willingness to make great sacrifices for peace and defence of Christendom against the Turk, if Francis will declare what he is willing to do for his part.

† Bethune does not appear to have been besieged at all; but the words "s'era gia levato da Biton" can hardly mean anything else, unless the name of the place was an error.

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pass into Flanders is ill in London. Yesterday Granvelle said he thought the French King had no money. I replied that I believed he was wrong. Blamed him for not having made a league against the Turk. Poggio's commission to treat of "the marriage." Doria reports the coming of the Turk and of Barbarossa to Valona with 250 sail. Garrison of Perpignan. Valladolid, 16 June 1537.

Italian, pp. 4. *From a modern copy in R.O. Begins* "Molto R^d^ Mons."

17 June. **105.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have delivered your letter to my lord Privy Seal, who told me I should soon be rid. If it be not at his next coming to Court, I will set Mr. Bryan at him, who will certainly speak to the King. Met Bowthe, Hide's man, at John Graynfyld's. Told him you would not deal with him under 1,000*l.* Details the terms proposed. My lord Admiral will redress everything concerning the forest. He has written to Ralph Rigsby concerning the deer. He thanks you for the platt of Hesdin. Kyngston has promised I shall have the gelding. Your patent has been in hand these four days, and Mr. Swyllyard's advice will not be wanted. I have moved Mr. Bryan for the boat at Wynchesay. Do not trouble my lord Privy Seal with more suits till your long suit be rid. Wynsor is here. I cannot get your money of Smythe of the Exchequer. He knows nothing of your covenants with Sir John Dudley. Sir Richard Sands came to the Court on Friday. The King's progress Northwards is abandoned. Some think he will go to Dover, but his next removal is to Oking. The lords are yet in the Tower, and divers have been sent prisoners there. Aske's clerk is taken, who will probably open many matters. London, 17 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

17 June. **106.** SIR THOS. PALMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Friday, 4 p.m., the Burgundians assaulted Sent Pole, and at 8 o'clock they entered at the breach and killed man, woman, and child, saving the chief provost of Paris, the bailly of Rone, and "the roy tyfftaffe" and 3 or 4 gentlemen. There were 100 men of arms, 200 light horse, 2 standards of Almans, 3 standards of French, 1,200 pioneers. "Sir, thys day I sent ij hondred rasers off weyte wyche I have kepyd syne Lent to have servyd us her yff nede chold a requeryd, and sent yt to Donkyrke to selle because new weyte commys chortly, and a Frenche man hathe takyn hym, I pray God send hym good loke; trustyng the Kynges Grase wolbe so good lorde unto me that seyng ther demaunde ys not lawfull, that I may make them as on lawfull a answer, and other recompens I neyvyr loke for noune, and do as moche rejoyse yn yt as yff they had gevyn me as meche; and yff theyr had byn no wyser men than I yn this town, they chold abyn spokyn with all, or they had comyn to Bolen." Calez, 17 June.

After the town was taken the Great Master of Flanders went with 10,000 foot and 3,000 horse and artillery the same night to Haydyng, and swore he would not leave till he had taken it. Was told by a man who was there, and "who I dar sey dyd hys parte for I ensure yow he ys a good bocher."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

17 June. **107.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Thanks for an augmentation of his diets. Yesterday news came that
S.P. VII. 701. the town of St. Pol was taken by assault. Pole remains in the bp's old palace at Liege. No stranger can come to the town and depart unexamined. Will. Vaughan, who had fled from England, and whom Hutton recommended to get into Pole's service, obtained a letter in his favour from Friar Peto to

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107. JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.—*cont.*

Pole's servant Michael Throgmortun, but on arriving at Liege was suspected to be a spy. After divers questions, however, he obtained audience of Pole, who said, "As I am informed, you be banished out of your native country as well as I," and that he rejoiced to see a Welshman, as his grandfather* came out of Wales; that he had his full number of servants, but if Vaughan could come to Italy when he was there he would be glad to take him. He desired him to go to Antwerp and learn news, and gave him a crown. Throgmorton told him his master would for a time stay his pen, "in hope of amendment," but that during the King's life he could never go to England, for even if the King pardoned him he could not trust it. At his departure Throgmortun gave him a letter for Peto (copy enclosed), and a bill of remembrance which was delivered to him. He knows not whether it be Throgmorton's hand or Pole's. Pole is afraid to go through Almain, fearing Henry has procured some mischief against him. He told Vaughan that Sir Thomas Palmer, Peter Mewtas, John Wyngfild, Francis Hall, Hutton, and others were sent to these parts to destroy him. Perceives he was so informed by one Antony, sent in espial from Sir Thos. Palmer. Vaughan shall return and enter further into the matter.

For the King's service means to break up his house in London, and bring his wife hither. Begs a licence to repair to England for the purpose for one month. Antwerp, 17 June.

Hol. Sealed.

17 June. **108.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Expresses his thanks to Cromwell for the augmentation of his diet to 20*s.* a day. Is yet young in wit as otherwise, but hopes being planted by Cromwell to grow to more perfection. Has written to the King (copy enclosed). Has brought the differences of which his brother dean wrote between the nation and the town of Antwerp to a conclusion which he thinks will be advantageous to the nation, allowing them to frequent Antwerp more freely. His absence from the Court has been for that purpose only. "When the Queen went I sent a servant of mine with the lord of Baroughe," who returned last night with news that St. Pol was taken by assault. Michael Throgmortun has not been in England, but was abroad with the bp. of Verona in Mechlyn in the same lodging Hutton was in. He was anxious to learn if the physician thought that the Queen was with a man child. They are very inquisitive for news; by which I trust to know part of theirs. Antwerp, 17 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 2. Copy of the letter to the King.

17 June. **109.** WILLIAM MEDOWE to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. I thank you for your pains in my behalf for the dilapidations of my benefice of Calborn in the Isle of Wight; for I hear from Mr. Neve the executors are glad to come to a reasonable point. I had a dispensation from Rome before any act was made to the contrary to enjoy four benefices with cure and other promotions to the sum of 1,000 ducats a year. This dispensation I now renounce and Mr. Neve shall deliver it to you. If I must, having two benefices already, sue for a new dispensation, I shall desire your aid as Mr. Neve will show. You know the news here better than I. I was glad of the news you wrote to Mr. Germayne that all your family were well, and "that ye have another young Wryothesley toward." Millyoun, 17 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Of the Signet.

* Richard Pole.

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2. William Medowe, Priest, to Wriothesley.*

R. O. I thank you for your letters to Mr. Baker of Salisbury in my cause concerning the dilapidations of Calborne in the Isle of Wight. I perceive by Mr. Neve's letters that he will in this be ordered by you. Upon such instructions as Mr. Neve shall give you, please help the matter forward when you speak with Mr. Baker or Mr. Bulkeley who is chief executor. If need be let me have your friendly letters to the said executors; for I would rather obtain the matter by my friends than by law. Valence, 20 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* One of the clerks of the Signet.

18 June. **110.** Nic. Alcock, Barber Surgeon.

Cart. Harl. 45 B. 33. B. M. Indenture made 18 June, 29 Henry VIII., between Nich. Alcok, barber surgeon of London, and Robt. Morton of High Holborn, Midd., gentleman. Agreeing that whereas Morton is diseased in the hand by the bite of a dog he will obey, in every condition concerning surgery, the said Alcok and shall pay him 5*l.* at terms specified. *Signed by Morton. Seal gone.*

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18 June. **111.** Robt. Thacker† to his Brother Thomas Thacker.

R. O. Received his letter of 13 June by John Ball. Hopes he may have an end this term, and begs him to pay Mr. Lether his attorney's fee. The matter is not taken up to make delay. Par withholds his privy tithings, but the writer hopes to bring such a busy fellow to a good frame. Mr. Holand and my brethren have appointed to speak with John Stele the 21 June, who promises to abide the order of Mr. Holand, Thomas Dowghtye, and myself. I hear my cousin, James Thacker, has written to you for money, which I counsel you against. He was with my cousin Thacker at Newark, and might have done well, but his mother would have him set up his occupation, "and nothing of his own to begin withal." If he do not obtain his purpose, my brother Oliver desires your letter to Mr. Foster in favour of him, "and then he would see the woman." My cousin Thacker of Newark thought always she might favour Oliver rather than James, for a woman of her substance will be ware who she taketh. I shall remember to demand your fee of the abbot of Derley and Dale. Derby, 18 June.

My mother says she would fain see you ere she die. "I fear me lest we shall have her but a while in this world, for she breaks marvellously." Have [me] commended to my cousins your children.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* At the Rolls. *Endd.:* My brother sub-dean.

18 June. **112.** William, Lord Dacre, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has often requested my lord of Cumberland for repayment of the yearly farm of the goods, offices, and tithes which were the subject of a decree by Cromwell between the said lord and himself and his uncle Sir Christopher, but is always put off by reason of a former date of an indenture of the captainship of Carlisle, by which Cumberland claims the profits from the Michaelmas before Dacre was in trouble. Nawerd, 18 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

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* This letter is clearly of the preceding year, but is of no interest except in connection with § 1.

† Vicar of St. Werburg's, Derby. *See* Valor Eccl. III. 158.

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18 [June]. **113.** SANDYS to [CROMWELL].

Calig. E. II. 135. B. M.

" * * * (*one line lost*) my last letters by my brother . . . . xiiij[th] day of this monyth on the m . . . . . my deputye sent me writing from Guy[snes showing] that divers Bourgonyons had taken for p[rize at] Balynggam (?) w[th]in the King's Highnes domynyon [certain] catall belonging to Frenchmen, received to . . . . . by the Kinges subgiettes as at altymes of his Hig[hnes] being newter they have ben accustomed to ta[ke both the] one and the other." His deputy detained both the Burgundians and the cattle, and Sandys, by advice of the [deputy] and council of Calais, [wrote] to the captain of Tournehem complaining of the conduct of his men in taking cattle out of the King's obeisance, even though they were French, and there was war between his master and the French. He replied that as the Emperor and French king were enemies, he referred it to Sandys to say whether the cattle were a booty or not. Returning from Calais on Saturday, called the Burgundians before him, and they acknowledged their offence and asked forgiveness. One Vervayn, kinsman to M[ons. du] Beese, seneschal of Boloignese, who had brought a letter (enclosed ?) from M. du Beese, was present, as Sandys wished him to see that neither party should take booty out of the King's jurisdiction. Told the Burgundians that their offence was felony, but he would not be severe with them, as it was their first, and sent them back to their captain, desiring him to be lenient. He sent reply he was sorry any men of his had so misconducted themselves.

This morning word came "that Seintpoll [is taken] with great effusion of blood." [My] steward, Ric. Clotton, brought me a letter found at Calais without direction or signature, which I send your Lordship, "also herein enclosed."

Since writing the above his spy has returned from Seintpolle. Describes the assault and capture of the same by the Imperials, who when they have razed it will go to Heding. Numbers of the army of Flanders and numbers of the garrison of Seintpolle. The Imperials burned all the provision in the town for fear of poison. (*The next sentence is so mutilated as to be incomprehensible, but it ends with a request that money may be sent to the surveyor's hands, for time lost cannot be recovered.*) Requests answer by the bearer, Smith. Guysnes, 18th day of [June], 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 4, *injured by fire.*

18 June. **114.** DE WIGNACOURT† to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

Asks him to allow the bearer, his chaplain, to pass. Sends him to Ourton, his son, who is with the Imperial ambassador in England, and is at present very ill. Bethune, 18 June xxxvij. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add:* Le Debitis de Calais.

19 June. **115.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O.

As James Rokebye and William Blytheman should be present with Mr. Pollerd at the survey of Jervaulx (three weeks hence) to instruct him in divers things, I beg you will see them despatched with speed. Sheriffhutton, 19 June.

P.S. *in his own hand:* Bespeaking favour for them as very honest men. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

† According to Vegiano (Nobiliare des Pay Bas, 2127, ed. 1862), Ghislain, Seigneur de Wignacourt et d'Ourton, who is noted only as living in 1500, was succeeded in these titles by his son Charles, who married, it is said for the first time, in 1543, and who, no doubt, bore the secondary title of Ourton (written Horton in earlier documents in Part I.) during his father's life.

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19 June. R. O. **116.** JOHN WAREN to LORD LISLE.

On Sunday last a passenger of Dover going to Calais was met near the coast by a French man of war, which boarded her and took out one Peter Johnson, a Dutchman who has long lived in this town, has been twice married to English women and is sworn to the King. We understand he is had to Boulogne and we beg you to write or send thither. Dover, 19 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

19 June. R. O. **117.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

Du Bies, captain of Boulogne, has written to me by the bearer, one of the French king's privy chamber, that I would see him conducted to your lordship to help him over the seas in safety. Guisnes, 19 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

19 June. Add. MS. 28,589, f. 339. B. M. **118.** CHARLES V. to CIFUENTES.

Wrote on the 2nd by Ant. Dixar by way of Genoa. The war with France.

Spanish, pp. 4. *Headed:* Valladolid, 19 June 1537. *Modern copy from archives of Simancas.*

Ib. f. 326. B. M. 2. The Emperor's instructions sent into Italy by Juan Mosquera de Molina to Prince Doria and the Marquis del Guasto from Valladolid, 19 June 1537.

Spanish, pp. 24. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

20 June. R. O. **119.** ANTONY SENTLEGER to CROMWELL.

Sends by the bearer, his servant, a "boke" [buck]. Had never so much need of help: since the 10th Dec. last, has never come out of his chamber. Has been taken, from the knees downwards, with cold. Begs favour. Slendon, 20 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 June. R. O. **120.** JOHN [SKIPP], Commendatory of Wigmore Abbey, to CROMWELL.

Has received two letters from Cromwell, dated 12 May, by his neighbour Thomas Crofte in Pentecost week, for Crofte to have the tithing sheaf of Leyntall Sterkys. Has induced the convent to make the grant for 21 years under the convent seal. Crofte has another "tewthyng" for one mark, which is worth 4*l.* a year. Another letter, dated 13 June, has come requiring the same tithings. There is some difference in the writing and signature; sends both the letters. Wigmore Abbey, 20 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Commendatory of Worcester.

20 June. R. O. **121.** JOHN WAREN to LORD LISLE.

This morning a secretary of the Dauphin came over, who was very nearly taken by the Flemings now at sea, and forced to land two miles west of this town. He has written a letter to De Be, captain of Boulogne, which I enclose. I desired him to write to De Be for our neighbour* of this town, of whose capture I lately wrote. The letter is unsealed, that you may see it. The Flemings have to-day boarded a passenger of this town, as the Frenchmen did before. How the King's letters are to pass in safety I refer to your Lordship. There are here two Grey friars from London going towards Paris whom the said secretary desires to carry his letter to De Be. Dover, 20 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

* Peter Johnson.

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20 June. **122.** HUGH GILLS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Has received his letter dated Calais, the 12th inst. Has communed with James†. Cannot learn the names of the owners of the ship "that was aboard of him and his company." He says there is one of the King's chaplains dwelling within two miles of Scarborough who sent his chief servant aboard with such communication "as did nother like the said James nor yet his captain." He has some things upon his stomach concerning his country of France which he will not tell me, but which your Lordship will doubtless get of him. Rouen, 20 June 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

20 June. **123.** CHRISTIAN III. to HENRY VIII.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger IV. 51. D.K.'s Rep. XLV. App. II. 18. Has received his letter asking for the restitution of the ship *Anne*, of Orwell, belonging to Adam Sampson and Robt. Legge. Has written the reasons which caused him to prohibit that and other foreign ships passing through his sea. Afterwards explained to Ric. Candishe, who was then ambassador with him, that not he, but rather the state of the times, was to blame for its detention. Now, therefore, having somewhat emerged from his troubles, he has restored the said ship. Explains his reasons for not answering Henry's former letters, and suggests sending plenipotentiaries for a confirmation of treaties. Copenhagen, 20 June 1537.

Latin.

20 June. **124.** BP. OF IVREA to the PROTHONOTARY RICALCATO.

Vatican MSS. * * * Da Mellun, 20 June 1537.

P.S. This evening I have been told that in the Imperial camp of Edin (Hédin) has been seen one of the chief captains of England (*uno capo de li grandi di Angilterra*), with many English gentlemen, and it was thought the enterprise is made at the expense of England. The English ambassador says they have gone thither for pastime. He has also told me he hears that Card. Tornon will shortly go from the King to Rome; which I can hardly believe, as he is superintendent of the enterprise of Italy.

Italian, p. 1. *Add.:* Pope's chief secretary. *Endd.:* R^d. 17 July. *From a modern extract in R. O.*

21 June. **125.** THE WAR IN PICARDY.

Add. MS. 2103, f. 52. B. M. "Sommaire de la prinse de St. Pol faite pour de la part"‡ (*sic*).

On Monday, 11 June 1537, the Emperor's army encamped before St. Pol beside the castle of St. Martin. Finding that place unsuitable, the camp moved on Wednesday the 13th to a place called Verlong, very close to St. Pol. Two spies reported to Mons. de Molembaix, chevalier of the Toison d'Or, and the captains Libere (*sic*) Turk, and Thouart, a plan to attack the great bulwark lately constructed by the French. After consultation thereupon with the Duke of Arschot and the Count de Bueren, captain-general, it was resolved to make a mine. Next morning pioneers were set to work, and after working all that day and next night the mine was ready, and charged on the 15th. Meanwhile trenches had been made for the battery, and about 5 a.m. the town was summoned to surrender. The captains replied they would die first, and a frightful battery was commenced and continued until three hours after dinner, when three breaches had been made. The mine was then fired and made another great breach. (*Continued at f.* 67.) Seeing this the Sieur de Brederode, with two of his ensigns, ran to the assault of the

† James Crane.

‡ Probably the Sieur de la Sart. The document throughout seems to be a corrupt copy.

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bulwark, but were somewhat repulsed. Then Libert Turk, a man of valour and experience, keeping with him the Sieur de Molembaix, spoke in German to the footmen lansquenets (*pietons lansquenetz*), and showed them that Molembaix and he and others would live and die with them; and they took heart and returned to the assault so furiously that they gained the bulwark. Molembaix, seeing that they could not hold it, rode to the footmen of High Germany and asked if some 600 would come to the assistance of Brederode's Low German foot. They refused unless commanded by their colonel, who was in bed with a gunshot wound. Molembaix then hastened to the said Colonel Hessen, who gave orders for not only 600, but 2,000 to go; which they did, and they, with the reinforcements Brederode had sent, so pressed the enemy that they fled, and the said Germans followed them through the postern.

Meanwhile the Sieur Dessestain had attacked another breach, but was repulsed, "et voyant que a . ." (*Continued after the loss of a leaf or more at f.* 55.) straightway, and in pursuing the enemies by the same side they entered also into the said town.

This done and the castle approached, to which Captain Martin "que lon dist roy de Duittost" (?), and the bailly of Rouen with others had retired, these were so terrified by such a furious exploit that they threw their banners out of the windows, crying aloud that they surrendered to mercy. They then opened the gates and surrendered, and every German footman took his prisoner. The Germans then engaged in the pillage of the town and furiously repulsed the Walloons who would have shared it. That night, while the Germans were engaged in pillage, the French fired the town in two places, and the fire so took its course that the whole town was destroyed, with a great quantity of wine, grain, and other victuals.

After such a furious and unpremeditated exploit, the Duke of Arschot, Count of Bueren, and Sieur de Mole[mbaix] and other experienced men in the council of war debated whether to besiege Dourlens, Hesdin, or Monstroeul, and decided upon Monstroeul. The camp was then raised from St. Pol on the 19th June and the army marched in good order to Blangy, and next day to the village of ——— (*blank*), and next day the 21st "icelle armee ensamble a la campe ———."

A fragment. Fr., pp. 6, *bound up in wrong order. In the same hand-writing as No.* .

22 June. **126.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Received his letters by the bp. of Winchester's servant. Finds he has not received the letters sent by Ratcliff. Hide's matter waits for Lisle's answer. They have threatened to put Mr. Aylmer out of Kyngston Lisle at Michaelmas. He said that Hide intends to sue you for waste. My Lord Privy Seal tells me that your suit for the priory shall certainly be rid before the King leave Hampton Court. I will speak to Mr. Bryan about it. Gives the opinion of his counsel touching the patent for Lisle's annuity. No man but Lisle shall grant passports. The King's auditor says they have been allowed in their accounts for the spial money and the annuity since lord Berners' death. When Dawncy comes to the hall he will consult him about the matter. I have promised each of them apiece of wine if they bring it to a fair conclusion. Has received a gelding from Mr. Kingston, which is "wild and kytteshe." It will not abide the stirring of a fly. Smythe of the Exchequer has at last paid the money. Has paid Morgan 8*l.* The bp. of Carlisle was buried yesterday. Kingston and Dawncy were his executors, Kytson and Monday overseers. Cannot tell whether the King had any of his goods. The King goes to Oking, Guildford, Esthamstede, and so to Windsor and Woodstock. London, 22 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

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22 June. **127.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. The bearer who lately came from Rome reported in company that certain Englishmen resident there had spoken vile and slanderous words against the King's realm. I sent for him and he confessed it and also that he had letters from the parties to be delivered to a friar resident among the Observants here in Antwerp. I desired to see the letters and opened them, but found nothing of weight, but that one of the parties is beneficed in England. I enclose the letters. Antwerp, 22 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

22 June. **128.** HARRY PHYLLYPPS to JOHN HUTTON.

R. O. Have long desired, but found no means to obtain, your favour; and now a false rumour accuses me of bragging words in contempt of your displeasure. I have never spoken about you except with one Vaghon, who said you had given him a commission that went against his conscience. Your letters to him at Louvain were, in his absence, brought to me and I delivered them on his return from Brussels. In return he warned me that there were many snares "tyled" to entrap me. I wish your mastership, as the King's ambassador and agent with the Lady Mary, would call me to you that I might establish my innocence. Lovayne, 22 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Governor of the fellowship of Antwerp and the King's agent with the Lady Mary. *Endd.*

ii. "Answer made to the same." (*In Hutton's hand.*)

Asks him to come and speak with him. Antwerp, 28 June.

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22 June. **129.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to CROMWELL.

R. O. A prize arrived 15 days ago at Saragozse (Syracuse) from Barnard the Scot, "in which were Turks that were despatched in Constantinople the 17th of March," who reported that 60 galleys were ready to depart, and [the] Judeo captain. Many other galleys and ships were getting ready in haste, and Barbarossa, captain general, was in "Mar Mageor" for galleys and vessels that should make altogether 500 sail. They were to depart by May or June at the furthest for Sicily or Polle (Apulia), "and gret numbyr off men be lond, wher the gret lord wyll go yn person to Avalony." The Viceroy of Naples set two men a-land, of whom one returned 22 March saying he saw the Great Turk enter Constantinople; who came from Grannoble "with great number," and preparations for war were immediately hastened and the Judeo sent forth with 60 galleys. 30,000 horsemen go before Barbarossa to Avalony.—Further reports from Rome and Venice much to the same effect.—Barbarossa was expected to attack the Venetians because they denied him Corfu, "whych ys the pas." The Waywode in person made present to the Turk "off the getyng off Clysse," at which time was given to him 100,000 asprys of rent. Ferdinand king of the Romans sent to the Turk to know if Clysse were gotten by his commission, and 3 days after his [the messenger's?] arrival an audience was appointed him to kiss the Turk's hand.

Describes an eruption of Mont Gebell (Etna) in Sicily. Those of Messina went in procession and thought all to have been lost. The Emperor has sent for the great ship and galleys to meet his army at Messina to resist the Turk; for which Prince Dory is gone to Spain. His return is daily looked for, and with him our Grand Master. News came from Naples lately that there were 100 galleys at Avalony and 30,000 Turkish horse, and at Corfu 150 galleys; which is not likely from other reports.

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This day, 24th, the brigantine sent word from Jante that 300 galleys and fusts be forth and a great number on the way by land to Avalony with the Turk in person.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

ii. Further news enclosed on a slip of paper dated 8 July 1537, the most important item being after the date:—"Now is come Andru Dorya at Myssyna with 60 galleys, at Naples the rest."

23 June. **130.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Two days since I moved lady Rutland again concerning Mrs. Fraunces. Her ladyship is in doubt about it; but the heralds say the woman can never lose her degree but must always be taken as her father's daughter. If needful I can get their seals and hands to this. The Queen goes sometimes with placards and sometimes with stomacher, laced. Smyth of the Exchequer has paid his money with much ado, and I have paid Morgan 8*l.* I do not see that we can do anything with Hide if he will have possession; he is like to pay well for it. I wait an answer to what I wrote you by Raclyf. I can get no conserve dishes, for those my lady Fitzwilliam had came out of the Levant. Mr. Skutt has buried his wife, and the bp. of Carlisle is dead. They die here in every corner, but no very great death. Justyce's matter is to no purpose, for the boat he would have, which is at Winchilsea, is not the King's, but lies in gage to Bell the Mayor for 35*l.* for the piracies committed in her, having been arrested for robbing a merchant of Gascon wines. London, 23 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

23 June. **131.** JOHN BRIERTOUNE to WRIOTHESLEY, Clerk of the Signet.

Vesp. CXIII. 258. B. M. Ellis 2 S. II. 38. His master* and company have passed a long and painful journey without perishing of horse or man. Went by Lyons and Avignon to Salsees on the borders of Spain (the strongest castle in the world) and thence to Barcelona and Seragoza, where they were as extremely handled as if they had been Jews, their luggage searched and they charged for everything that was unworn. His master said he would pay no custom, as an ambassador was free everywhere, and he would ride to the Emperor and declare how he was handled. They replied that "if Christ or St. Francis came with all their flock they should not escape." The Empress lately sent a post to the Emperor at Barcelona with a little silk flower of her own making and they of Seragoza insisted upon searching the bearer. Good treatment of his master by the Emperor. Valladolid, 23 June.

Hol. Add.

23 June. **132.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Almost word for word the same as his letter to Cromwell of the 22d. Malta, 23 June 1537. With the same postscript on a separate slip, dated 8 July, as in his letter to Cromwell.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

24 June. **133.** HENRY VIII. to [SIR WILLIAM PARRE].

R. O. As the King is sending down Sir Robert Constable and Robert Aske to be executed in Yorkshire where they committed their treasons, and they are to be conveyed by Sir Thomas Wentworth into Lincolnshire, delivered to the duke of Suffolk, and by him sent on to Hull, where they shall be received by the duke of Norfolk or such persons as he shall appoint, you are to put yourself with a convenient number of your servants in order to meet

* Thomas Wyatt. *See* Part I., No. 637.

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133. HENRY VIII. to [SIR WILLIAM PARRE]—*cont.*

Wentworth at Huntingdon the —— proximo to take charge of the conveyance of the said traitors to the duke of Suffolk, and under his orders convey them to Hull.

Draft in Wriothesley's hand, pp. 3. *At the head of this draft are these words in two lines:* The lord Darcy's words. The bill for Vaughan. *A fly-leaf pasted on to the last leaf, is endorsed:* The minute to my lord of Norfolk the 24th of June.

24 June. **134.** WM. LORD SANDYS, to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I thank you for the pain your Lordship took here for me on Thursday last. I desire ready passage for the bearer, Guisnes pursuivant, whom I send over with news just received touching the surrender of Montreuil, but I have no particulars. Guisnes, Midsummer morning, 8 o'c. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

24 June. **135.** WALTER BROWN of Malrancan, JHON (*sic*) DEVERUS of Balmakayerne, and ALEXANDER KETYNG of Ambrowiston, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Whereas by letters you advertised us to relate any damage done to the King; Wm. Sayntloo, and 46 persons with him, are allowed wages for defence of Wexford, 368 mks., besides the wages of Sayntloo himself and Watkin Appowell his petty captain, of 46 mks. 9*s.* Sayntloo has also leases of all Ketyng and Baron Newell's lands, "lately put to execution," and the aid of the inhabitants of the county. Advise that 5,000 or 6,000 men, part soldiers and part husbandmen, should inhabit the country between Dublin and Wexford, and that three or four gentlemen of the country should have 100 mks. a year apiece to defend it. The King's yearly rents in the county exceed not 250 mks. (the dime of the spiritualty excepted). Desire Cromwell to get them a lease of all these revenues and they will pay all officers' fees, &c. and 100 mks. a year into the Exchequer. Credence for bearer. Malrancan, 24 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 June. **136.** CINQUE PORTS.

R. O. Inquisition of the Admiralty taken on the sea shore at Sandwich, 25 June 29 Hen. VIII., before Ric. Dering, lieutenant of Sir Thos. Cheyney, constable of Dovor Castle, and warden and admiral of the Cinque Ports. Found that certain waterways and dikes between Ratcheborough (Richborough) and Sandwich be stopped by the owners of the marsh to the injury of the haven for lack of water. Presentment against certain persons for cutting weeds and other corruptions and casting them into the river, where they sink to the detriment of the haven. The haven is also injured by default of sustaining of two groynes that the brethren of St. Bartholomew's have hitherto maintained. Presentments for illegal exportation of wheat and malt; and of men who found articles on the shore, &c.

Large paper, pp. 2.

25 June. **137.** SIR WM. GASCOYGNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks Cromwell to be good lord to him touching his daughter Constable's feoffment. Paid with her for it 1,000 marks, and without his Lordship's help is not able to pursue it. Trusts he will set forward this term to Gascoygne's comfort in his old age. Gawkethorp, 25 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd. erroneously:* "Willm. Newdiguast."

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25 June. **138.** JOHN HUTTON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Received his letter of the 20th, complaining of the stay of two horses at Gravelines. Has written to the captain, and if it takes no effect, will repair to the Queen, who will, doubtless, write to the said captain for their delivery. The news he wrote of the Turk is confirmed by letters from Venice. Their army is 400 sail well furnished. Antwerp, 25 June.

Begs he will advertise the King of the stoppage of the passage between Calais and Dover.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

25 June. **139.** JAMES BASSET to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Has received her and his father's letters and the crown she sent him with the remembrances sent by his sisters, by John Donicourt. Wishes to obey her in all things. Paris, 25 June.

Fr., p. 1, *not in his own hand. Add.:* Madame la Debitis a Callais.

26 June. **140.** GEORGE ARDISON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is vexed with the gout, and cannot come to him. Begs his Lordship to further his accustomed suit concerning the exchange that either, according to the King's grant made to him, the profits "may be perceived as of right appertaineth, or else," if the King wishes to revoke his grant,* he may have compensation, and that the money he has paid these five years may be levied among such merchants as sue in the said cause of exchange, and repaid to him. Has paid 151*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* into the Exchequer, without taking benefit for the same. 26 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 June. **141.** THOMAS HALL to RICHARD CROMWELL.

R. O. I thank you for your letter and am glad that the King, by the furtherance of my good lord, your uncle, and by you, has deputed the bearer to the office of one who was the gall and root of all evil rule in these parts. It is the best deed done for years for the quietness of that town and the whole shire. Philip Wylde lately came to me in Lincolnshire about the woods and sale of hay lands and meadows at Brampton; I advised him as I thought best. I beg you will let me know what order I am to take with the sheep, cattle, servants' wages at Sleford, and the hay grounds there which the lord H. (Hussey) was accustomed to have "inned" yearly for his own use. I have not clipped the sheep yet, as I expected your servant, Mr. Bawdes, or some other, in these parts, as I have written more at large to you and Mr. Wrisseley, who knoweth best the first commission, by my servant John Benytt, by whom I beg I may have an answer. I desire that my said friend Philip Wylde may keep you in remembrance of my requests, "during your both abodes in the Court," especially my suit for the mills at S. and another small "quyllett" nigh my house in Lincolnshire. Colby, 26 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

26 June. **142.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received information that John Heron of Chipchace, his son George, and John Heron of the Hall Barns, were of counsel of the murder of Roger of Fenwick. Expects proofs in four days. Has sent upon another feigned matter for George Heron, and if he be faulty will keep him surely till he know the King's pleasure. Meanwhile, thinks John Heron, "now

* *See* Vol. II., No. 1289.

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there," should not be put at liberty. Heron of the Hall Barns is fled long since into Scotland, and helps the Scots of Lidersdale and the outlaws. All the Borders are in good order except Lidersdale, "which weekly doth run upon Carnaby's offices." The young man shows good will to serve and is at such pains "that by hearing say he is more than half weary of his being in these parts." Expects to-night or to-morrow Sir Cuthbert Ratcliffand other gentlemen of these parts, and will lay sore to them that the country is no better defended. Has also written to the king of Scots that his subjects of Lidersdale may be punished, and has set espials to learn "the determination of the said King towards this realm." Shryfhoton, 26 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

26 June. **143.** ELIZABETH DUCHESS OF NORFOLK, to [CROMWELL].

Titus B.I. 383a. B. M. Nott's Howard, App. XXVIII.

Writes to know whether she shall have a better living or not. If the King and he would speak to her husband she might live upon her jointure, which is but 500 mks. and 60*l.*, by changing with Master Gorstweke, "as he knoweth well enough, at the desire of my Lord my husband." If once settled in her jointure, would every year do Cromwell some pleasure for his kindness ever since her great trouble. If the King grant my daughter of Richmond her jointure he had never a penny for it [at] her marriage. If the King speak to my husband I shall have my jointure, but if my daughter's jointure be granted first I shall never get the "remlant" of mine from him, though my father paid 2,000*l.* with me, "which my Lord my husband hath forgotten now he hath so much wealth and honour, and is so far in doting love with that quean that he neither regards God nor his honour. He knows it is spoken of far and near to his great dishonour and shame; and he chose me for love, and I am younger than he by 20 years, and he hath put me away four years and a quarter at this Midsummer; and hath lived always like a good woman, as it is not unknown when I was daily waiter in the Court 16 years together, when he hath been from me more than a year on the King's wars. The King's grace shall be my record how I used myself without any ill name or fame," &c. Continues in the same strain. Her husband has taken away her jewels and kept her like a prisoner. Has written three letters to him, one by the King's command to her at Dunstable. Has sent copies of them. Knows her husband's crafty ways of old, and will never make more suit to him. "And besides that my daughter of Richmond and Besse Holond is comen up with her, that harlot which has put me to all this trouble, and it is a xj year since my Lord my husband first fell in love with her, and yet she is but a churl's daughter and of no gentle blood, but that my Lord my husband hath set him up for her sake because he was so nigh akin to my lord Hussey that was late made that died last and was beheaded, and was the head of that drab Besse Holond's blood, and keeps her still in his house and his childer maintain the matter; therefore I will never come at him during my life." He made his women bind me till the blood came out at my finger ends, and they "pynnacullyt me and satt on my brest till I spett blod, and he never ponysched them, and all thys wos don for Besse Holond sake." He sent word by Mr. Conysbe that he would serve me so two years before he put me away. Has trust in Cromwell, for she hears how good he was to the lady Mary, the King's daughter, in her trouble. Lies in Hertfordshire and has "but iij hundryth l. li. a quarter," and has to keep 20 persons. Could live cheaper in London. Begs answer by bearer. Redborne, 26 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Commences:* "My very good Lord."

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26 June. **144.** RICHARD POLLARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has already inquired about some of the offices and fees held by lord Darcy, Sir Robt. Constable, and others lately attainted, and will inform him of the rest. Asks him whether the lead of the abbeys within his survey shall be sold. 26 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 June. **145.** SIR THOMAS WENTWORTH, Captain of Carlisle.

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26 June. **146.** COUNCIL OF IRELAND to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Praise the continued forwardness and activity of the Deputy, who lately prepared a journey against O'Chonor, the rankest traitor in the land, and (accompanied by the lord of Delven, treasurer of the wars, chief justice, and others of the Council) marched against him on Tuesday after Trinity Sunday. They first invaded the countries of Omulmoy, MacGoghegan, and Omalaghlyn, O'Chonor's adherents, and compelled them to join the Deputy. They then attacked O'Chonor, took certain peels on his frontier, and besieged Dengen, a very strong new castle, built in a marsh, and manned by about 40 gunners. With great labour a battery piece was brought up to the castle which was then won by assault. The ward received the same grace and pardon that they of Maynooth had, "so as a good company of gunners be well despatched." The castle was then razed and the governance of the country given to Caier O'Chonor, brother to the said O'Chonor, who, for taking part against Thomas FitzGerald, was banished by his brother. The said Caier now keeps O'Chonor, who is in exile, out of all his lands. Beg that the Deputy may have the King's thanks. To keep O'Chonor's country, which is called Ofayley, the King must either give Caier O'Chonor some other reward and inhabit the place with Englishmen, or else make Caier O'Conor governor, with the title of Baron of Ofayley, conferred by the King. The castle of Athlone, standing upon a passage betwixt Connaught and these parts, is recovered, which has long been usurped by the Irish. Here is but one battery piece, which at the battery of O'Chonor's castle was broken; beg that another may be sent with speed. Dublin, 26 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* The lord of Trymleston, your grace's chauncelor—Georgius Dublin.—Edwardus Miden.—J. Rawson, P. of Kyllmaynam—Willm. Brabason—Patrik Fynglas, baron—Gerald Aylmer, justice—Thomas Houth, justice—John Alen—Thoms. Lutrell, justice.

Pp. 3. *Add.*

26 June. **147.** COUNCIL OF IRELAND to CROMWELL.

R. O. To the same effect and nearly in the same words as the preceding.

St. P. II. 442. In this letter the invasion of Omulmoy and the others is said to have been "by the conduct and guiding of the lord of Delven." Dublin, 26 June. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

Lamb. 601. f. 5. 2. Copy of the preceding.

26 June. **148.** MARY OF HUNGARY to CHARLES V.

Lanz II. 676. Informs the Emperor by letters of the 26 June of the capture of Monstreul and the siege laid to Terouane and the causes thereof. The report is that Francis means to give battle. Hopes he will do it before money fails. Great confusion would already have arisen but for the sums

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148. MARY OF HUNGARY to CHARLES V.—*cont.*

raised on their credit by the Cardinal (*i.e.*, of Liège), D'Arschot, etc. As it is said Herbais* is in England, she does not reply to other details.

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27 June. **149.** WILLIAM GONSON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. About 15 or 16 days ago an English crayer was taken by a French ship of war and brought over to Bullen haven. It had been laden at Baroo with goods of London merchants, friends of the writer; at whose request the French ambassador and my Lord Privy Seal have written by the bearer Anthony Haryson, Genson's servant. Requests Lisle will write about it to the captain [of Boulogne]. London, 27 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

27 June. **150.** SEDITION IN NORFOLK.

R. O. Information given on Tuesday after St. John Baptist's day 29 Hen. VIII., by Ric. Andrewson, of Fyncham, Norf., labourer, at Oxburgh, before Sir Thomas Bedingfeld, John Fyncham, of Fyncham, John Garnysh, John Godale, under constable of Fyncham, and John Prent. That since Easter he heard Harry Jervyse say at Fyncham Hall that if they had been wise and had been ruled by him he would have cried at mass time "Fire! Fire!" at Little Well Hall or at Fyncham Hall, and then John Fyncham would have come out, and if he would not be ruled by them they would have made a cart way between his head and shoulders; also that they would ring "awke" the bells in every town to raise the commons. He also heard George Halle, of Fyncham, glover, say he would not have spoken such words as he heard him speak for all the town of Fyncham.

ii. On Wednesday after St. John's day 29 Hen. VIII., Harry Jervys deposed before the same justices that during Lent he had conversed with Thos. Stylton, Geo. Halle, glover, and Ric. Andruson at Fyncham, and said he wished the Yorkshire men had prospered that the suppressed holydays might have been restored. Stylton confirms this, but Ric. Andrewson and George Halle heard no such words. Jervys also confirms the former deposition, and confesses he devised that the bells of Fyncham should have been rung "awke" as aforesaid. He revealed the premises to no person till this day.

iii. Depositions of George Halle and Ric. Andrewson, who both deny that Jervys opened the premises to them. *Signed by Bedingfield, Fyncham, and Garnysh* ("Jhon Garneys").

Pp. 7. *Endd.*

27 June. **151.** G. EARL OF HUNTINGDON, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Send a writing procured from Rome by a brother of Sir Ric. Hyde, now parson of Raunston, which the said parson suffered to remain in his parish church till one of the churchwardens for this year, on hearing the King's proclamations, took it into his custody and brought it to me. I sent for the said parson by my servant Peter Bonney and keep him here at my house till I hear from you. Ashby de la Zoche, 27 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The sieur d'Ourton, not Herbais, seems to be the person intended. The former seems to have been substituted for the latter as Mendoça's colleague in March (*see* Part I., No. 696), and was now in England ill (*see* No. 114). Herbais was despatched by the Emperor from Spain direct to queen Mary, on the 29 May on the receipt of the intelligence of the surrender of Hesdin, with instructions, open and secret, which will be seen on pp. 673–4 of Lanz.

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27 June. **152.** Sir Thomas Tempest to Cromwell.

R. O. I have sent your Lordship another letter to be shown to the King for expedition of my causes. I have served the King since the beginning of his reign in all his notable wars in these parts, always with 100 persons and more, without wages; also I have served in commissions for peace with the Scots, for good order on the Borders and for justice in these North parts to my charge of 1,000*l.* and above and have never had of the King fee, office, wages or reward. I attend here, for the most part in Yorkshire where I have no dwelling place, upon my lord of Norfolk at great costs which I cannot easily sustain, being a younger brother, born to no lands and of mean substance. Is encouraged by Cromwell's kindness when he was last at London, and if he can have speed in his causes by Cromwell's help will be at his service for life. My friend Mr. Gostwyke has promised to remind you of my matters. 27 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 June. **153.** Q. Jane Seymour to the Keeper of Havering Park.

Vesp. F. III. 16. B. M. Warrant for the delivery of two bucks of this season from the park of Havering at Bowre for the gentlemen of the Chapel Royal. Hampton Court, 28 June, 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "Jane the Quene."

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28 June. **154.** The Borders.

R. O. "Delivered to Sir Thomas Wentworth, for my lord of Norfolk." 28 June 29 Hen. VIII.

The commission to Sir Thomas Wharton to be King's deputy-warden of the West Marches. The King's letters patent for his wages and for four commissioners. Letters patent for Sir Thomas Wentworth for the captainship of Carlisle. Thirty-three patents, under Signet, for the pensioners of the West Marches. Schedule in paper "of the order taken of the said West Marches." Copy of an oath for Wharton and Wentworth. Copy of an oath for the pensioners. The King's letters to Sir Thomas Wharton. Letters to the priors of Carlisle and Wetherall and the abbot of Holme for the stewardships of the same for Sir Thomas Wharton. Thirty-three letters to the 33 pensioners. Letters for the pensioners of the East and Middle Marches. The indentures between the King and Wharton.

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[28 June.] **155.** Henry VIII. to A. N.*

R. O. Having at this time appointed Sir Thomas Wharton† to be our deputy of the West Marches against Scotland and Sir Thomas Wentworth‡ to be captain of the town and castle of Carlisle, and understanding that you whose habitation is within the limits of those borders have been always ready to serve us and will be hereafter to assist our said deputy-warden in the administration of justice and redress upon the Borders, we grant you a pension of [10*l.*]§ a year from St. John Baptist's day last,‖ to be paid by

* The person addressed was originally Edw. Charleton, but the name is struck out and A. N. interlined. *See* Part I., No. 222.

† This name is substituted for Sir William Evers and Sir John Witherington.

‡ Wentworth's name is substituted for Roger and George Fenwyke, who according to the original draft were to be "leaders and keepers of our countries of Tynedale and Reedsdale."

§ Struck out. ‖ Corrected from "the Nativity of our Lord."

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155. HENRY VIII. to A. N.—*cont.*

Sir George Lawson. Hampton Court. [The original date was Greenwich, 28 (*corrected* 25th) Jan. 28 Henry VIII. but all these dates are cancelled.]

Below is written :—
"Answer to my lord of Norfolk."
"Answer to Mr. Pollarde."
"Letters to the bishop of Exeter."
"Letters to the deputy of Calais."
"For Redes house."
"For money for Hall and Wingfield."

Draft, corrected by Wriothesley, pp. 3. *Endd.:* A minute of the pensions in the North.

156. [HENRY VIII. to SUFFOLK.]

R. O. Has determined to have Constable, who held Hull in the late rebellion, hanged in chains there, and also to have Robert Aske, the grand worker of that insurrection, hanged at York, "where he was in his greatest and most frantic glory." Considering that [Suffolk] is now in Lincolnshire, where he has served the King well, and that Hull joins on Lincolnshire, so that the King's subjects there have seen the traitorous behaviour of Constable, the King sends Constable and Aske as follows. Has sent them by Sir Thomas Wentworth, now made captain of Carlisle, who shall be met at Huntingdon by Sir Wm. Aparre, to convey them to Lincoln or wherever Suffolk shall appoint. After Suffolk has had them in custody one night or so, he shall send them by water with Parre and Wentworth to Hull, there to be delivered by the ——* day of next month to the duke of Norfolk, lieutenant in those parts. Begs him to see this carried out as a warning to all hereafter.

Draft, pp. 4, *in Wriothesley's hand. Commences:* "Right trusty and right entirely beloved cousin."

R. O. 2. [Continuation of the preceding ?].

"Furthermore we send unto you by the same persons the late lord Hussey," whom you shall cause to be beheaded at our city of Lincoln at such time soon after his arrival as you shall appoint, taking order that you, with a suitable number of gentlemen, shall be at his execution, which we desire may be done notably "with a declaration that of our clemency we have pardoned all the rest of his judgment."

Corrected draft in Wriothesley's hand, p. 1.

28 June. **157.** OXFORDSHIRE.

R. O. Commission of the peace to Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Sir Will. Fitzwilliam, lord Admiral, Sir Thos. Inglefelde, Sir John Porte, Sir John Daunse, Sir Will. Barentyne, Sir Walter Stonour, Sir Edw. Chamb[er]leyn, Sir Simon Harcourte, Sir John Clerke, Sir Rob. Lee, Sir Anthony Hungreford, Sir Thos. Elyott, Sir John Brome, Will. Fermour, John Williams, Thos. Nevell, Thos. Carter, John Moore, Will. Raynesford, John Denton, Anth. Cope, Thos. Brigges, Thos. Wayneman, Anth. Bustard, Chr. Assheton, and John Pollard. Westm., 28 June 29 Hen. VIII.

Parchment. Fragment of Great Seal attached.

28 June. **158.** H. EARL OF WORCESTER, to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to his letter sends Frere Gawen. Asks Cromwell, when he sends such letters, that the bearer may deliver them to his own hand.

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This letter was delivered by the frere's own servant. By the King's letters dated 3 May, it appears that surmise was made to his Highness that riots had occurred in consequence of a contention for the stewardship of Arrustly and Keviliok, between lord Ferrers and the writer. Ferrers is the earl's deputy, and deputed under him Hugh David ap Lewes and David Lloid ap Robert, against whom three bills were exhibited for extortion. Sent thrice to lord Ferrers desiring that they should appear to answer the said bills; but having no answer, sent a letter of discharge to the said deputies and another to his kinsman Sir Ric. Herbert, to keep good rule in the country. Hugh and David subsequently would have kept a court, but the people refused to attend. The King, being informed that the country had assembled in riotous manner, commanded the earl to appear before the president of the Council in the Marches of Wales, to determine whether lord Ferrers or he had better title. Appeared at Wigmore, and trusts it was found that his title was good and lord Ferrers had none but under him as deputy, and that the earl had done nothing contrary to the quietness of the King's subjects. Asks him to give no credence to like informations until the truth be known. Desires the premises to be notified to the King. Tynterne, 28 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 June. **159.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. You will receive by these bearers James Bowser, Thos. Cary, and my servant John Scoler, the plate of the houses of Bridlington and Jervaulx, and others that were attainted, with a book of the parcels thereof sealed with my seal and Mr. Magnus', who has kept it since the attainder. You will also receive by the bearers in a bag sealed with my seal, the convent seals of St. Agatha's, Jervaulx and Bridlington, with the seal of office of the last, which I have caused to be battered. Sheriff Hutton, 28 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

160. Sir Robert Constable.

R. O. "Sir Robert Constable oweth these parcels following, which he prayeth may be satisfied and paid, and his sureties thereof to be discharged."

Item, four sureties were bound to pay to Mr. Lambart for the King's use 125*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* Item, I owe William Scargill 80*l.*, to be paid in four years, 20*l.* a year. Item, to the parson of Holme in Spaldyngmore, which my bailey of Holme is charged to pay, to be allowed in his accounts, 26*l.* Item, my servants wages and liveries; there is enough to pay every man. Item, to Mayn Pryss, fishmonger, 8*s.* *Signed:* Robert Constable.

P. 1. *Small paper. Endd.*

161. Sir Robert Constable.

R. O. A list of offices in the hands of Sir Robert Constable, knight, with their value. Stewardships of Hutham under the King, of Poklyngton and Lekcomfelde under the late earl of Northumberland, surveyorship of the Earl's parks and game, stewardships of Bridlington, of the abbey of Watton, of the bp. of Durham, "of Marchland of the abbey of St. Mary's in York," and of the college of Akecaster. Fees given.

P. 1 *in the hand of Ric. Pollard's clerk. Endd.*

28 June. **162.** Sir Robert Wingfield to Cromwell.

R. O. Reminds him of his suit to the King at Dover, complaining of John Cookson, the water bailly, for the plucking down of a house he had by the King's patent, on ground separate from the Meanebrok. Cromwell then

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162. Sir Robert Wingfield to Cromwell—*cont.*

referred him to the law, and he took an action of trespass against Cookson and others at Guisnes. The court was held on Monday last, but proceedings were stopped by the lord Deputy till the King's pleasure should be further known. Reminds Cromwell that he had written in his favour to the Deputy when Wingfield delivered up his patent last St. James's day, that he was to have all the profits of the Meanebroke till Mich. next; but my lord Chamberlain, who is now at Guisnes, has forbidden any arrests to be made on Wingfield's account. Calais, 28 June 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

28 June. **163.** Sir Robert Wingfield to Wriothesley.

R. O. Sends a letter for the lord Privy Seal, and begs him not only to deliver it to his hand, but to assist his chaplain the bearer in obtaining the two letters he desires. Perceives by a reckoning of his nephew Halle that he only gave Wriothesley 40*s.* at Christmas. Begs him, however, to take it as given with good will to be yearly paid. Calais, 28 June 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Master Wrottisleey, principal clerk of Signet under my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 June. **164.** Sir Thomas Wharton, Deputy Warden of the West Marches.

See Grants in June, No. 51.

29 June. **165.** Richard Layton, Priest, to Cromwell.

R. O. This St. Peter's day, at 4 p.m., I went to see the Earl of Northumberland, having been sent for five days past. Found him *languens in extremis*, sight and speech failed, his stomach swollen "so great as I never see none," and his whole body as yellow as saffron, but his memory still good. Told him your Lordship willed him to be of good comfort, and you would speed his affairs with the King now at your going to the Court. He cannot live 24 hours. This last three weeks he had no money but by borrowing. He has left your Lordship and the bp. of Hereford his executors, and the King his supervisor. I read his will, which seems of small treasure. London, St. Peter's day at night.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Dr. Layton, "xxviij° Junii 1537."

29 June. **166.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Hopes my Lord Privy Seal will keep his promise now at the King's removing, and conclude Lisle's long suit; otherwise will not fail to make use of Brian's intercession with the King. Was in hand with Bowthe before John Graynfyld touching Hidd's suit. He offered 80*l.*, and no more; on which we broke off, and he said his master would communicate with Sir John Dudley. Thinks he will bring the matter to a good conclusion. Leonard Smythe is away, wherefore I can learn nothing of the writings betwixt you and Sir John Dudley, but Mr. Wyndsor and I will search for them at Soberton. Smythe of the Exchequer has paid the money. Leonard Smythe looks to have 10*l.* a year of you during his patent. Holit will come to a reckoning, but Acton will not this term, because one or two have died in his clerk's house. For your patent of deputy-ship the auditor and Sir John Dawncy are agreed that at the vice-treasurer's coming you shall be paid according to the words of it, and that you only shall make the passports. Details his communications with the abbot of Westminster, who holds a

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bond of 30*l.* of Lisle's and Baylye's of the Bridge. Offered him two tuns of wine for 15*l.* claimed by him, which he refused, though I told him the money was only owing through your negligence in leaving the obligation in his hands. Thinks, however, he will take it if Lisle will sign and seal the enclosed letter. Will proceed with the bill of victualling, if Lisle will sign and seal this letter to the Lord Chancellor. If Hide will not conclude when Lisle should make the best he can of Kingston Lisle. Begs Lisle will be the first to send the news, and not leave it to my lord Chamberlain, especially as the armies are so near him. The King was very glad to hear the last news of Mowttrelle. Cokkerell, the smith, will have the gunner's place now vacant, and Sir Chr. Morrys will bear the charge of suing it out under the Great Seal. On the 28th lord Hossy, Sir Rob. Constable, and Aske were delivered out of the Tower to Sir Thos. Wendtford, now captain of Carlisle, who conducted them Northward with 50 horsemen,—Hussy to suffer at Lincoln, Constable at Hull, and Aske to be hanged in chains at York or at Nottingham. On Saturday the 30th inst. Darcy will suffer at Tower Hill. Eight of the monks of the Charter House are dead in Newgate. God send you long life and a goodly boy. London, 29 June.

Old lady Oxford is dead. The lords Lumley, Latimer, and others are come from the North, and Ralph Sadler from Scotland.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

29 June. **167.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I have received your sundry letters, to which I had partly made answer before they came. I wrote largely about your ladyship's daughters, so that I doubt not you will instruct them mother-like and they will be obedient children. The marriage of Mewtus is nothing forward, but I think Mrs. Parre shall shortly fall thereto. I wish what Agnes Wodroff told you of my short return were true, but I see nothing for it but to wait my lord Privy Seal's leisure. I made half a motion to Hastings for his wife's dog, but he said he durst not do it, as it was all her comfort; yet he said he thought verily you should have it if his wife be so minded. I shall send two dozen glasses by Hugh Colton's ship, which I daily look for. I pray God send Baynam and his wife joy. I think there was some crafty dealing in the bargain making. As to the gentlewoman with lady Raynsford, I hope you will not need her, for I have been in hand with lady Rutland divers times for a gentlewoman for you, and at last she promised me one of her own women. She is a wondrous good lady. As to Mrs. Frances, the heralds say she shall lose no degree, but use the same according to the dignity of her father, but I will take lady Wiltshire's advice in it. At the coming of Hugh Colton's ship I will deliver Mr. Tuke his wine and Mr. Sywlyard the quails, if they come. Your weir is not forgotten. London, 29 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

[29 June.] **168.** Wm. Lord Sandys, to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I thank you for informing me of the answer from the King's Council to your letter touching the commission procured by Wm. March. Your Lordship's letter could not be amended, seeing that the sequel cometh to so charitable a purpose. I return both the letter directed from the Middle Temple and the copy of the letter sent from the Council to the general surveyors. I send you a half buck received from my friends in England.

I hear to-day the Imperials have come to Therouenne, and intend to-night to lay their ordnance to the walls. Guisnes, Friday.

Commend me to my lady. *Signed.*

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29 June. **169.** CARD. POLE to CARD. CONTARINI.

Poli Epp. II. 68. Has received his letters of 22 May, and thanks him heartily for his services with the Pope and Ambrosius. For the rest of his affairs refers to Priolus' letters. As to his return, which Contarini writes should be neither too fast, and therefore hurtful to the cause, nor too slow, because of the indignity of lurking in a corner, his enemies, by their messengers and spies everywhere around, celebrate his abode here, and his every track is watched, so that it would be easier for an army to lie hid than for him. His delay here may lead to great advantages, and cannot hurt his dignity; as he hopes to be able to explain more fully by next messenger. Liege, 29 June 1537.

Latin.

30 June. **170.** G. EARL OF SHREWSBURY, to CROMWELL.

R. O. [1537–8.] Sends him two cast of lanners that were brought out of Wales. Wynfelde, 30 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 June. **171.** CHARLES DUKE OF SUFFOLK, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs him still to continue his goodwill to his daughter Powes*, to whom he will be good lord and father if she will follow Cromwell's advice and live after such an honest sort "as shall be to your honour and mine." Grymsthrope, 30 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[30 June.] **172.** THE EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

R. O. Account of the lands of Henry late earl of Northumberland, distinguishing those which are in the King's hands and those that are in the hands of other owners who are named in the margin. The other owners and annuitants are Lord Montague, Sir Thos. Arundel, Sir Thos. and Henry Johnson, the Marquis of Exeter, Sir Wm. Persee, Wm. Stapleton, Thos. and John Winde (*or* Wende), Cuthb. Carnaby, Steph. Tomson, Sir Thos. Persee, Nichasius Hannon, Sir Thos. Wharton, Thos. Kelke, Chr. Wharton, Sir Humph. Ratcliff, Hen. Whittreason and his wife, Sir Ric. Gresham, the lord Admiral, Sir Wm. Kempe, Sir Reynold Carnaby, Sir Wm. Sidney and others, the earl of Sussex, the lord Privy Seal, and the duke of Suffolk.

Large paper, pp. 6. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. His debts.

To Robt. Clerke, baker; John Maye, ale brewer; Robt. Hamon, beer brewer; Nicholson's wife, poulter; Edm. Kandishe, butcher; Robt. Reynold, fishmonger; Chanbers, poulter, Hychington's wife, Tylour, pikemonger, and others; Thos. Jenetts, tallow chandler; Wm. Grenefeld's wife for butter; John Blage, grocer; Wm. Baynard, wax-chandler; David Capper's wife for washing; Roger [Whyter]eason (?) for charcoal: (amounts from 6*s.* 8*d.* to 22*l.*). Wm. Jeket for lodging, &c., 39*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.* Lord Latymer, Sir Roger Cholmeley of the North, Wm. Harington of York, and Robert Trappes, goldsmith, for loans. Ric. Pikering for silks, part of which were sent to my lady and the rest to the North, and "there spoiled by Aske." Thos. Hamon, skinner, for an old debt to Thos. Dalton, skinner, and "a fur of black jennets laid in purple satin which was spoiled by Aske." Creker, shoemaker, for boots, shoes, slippers, and buskins, "whereof part was carried in the North at my Lord's last going down and spoiled by Aske." John Blage, grocer, for spice carried to Topcliff. Sir Wm. Fairfax for arrearages

* Anne, wife of Edward Grey, lord Powis.

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of the sheriffwick of Northumberland for two years, "streted" to him out of the Exchequer as sheriff of Yorkshire. Sir George Darcy for arrearages of one year, for which Dr. Stephins and "the said William" stand bound, for discharge of which the Earl granted a warrant to be paid out of the manor of Tadcaster. Sir Cuthbert Radcliff for arrearage for his lieutenantship of 50*l.*, also 50*l.* for the same to Wm. Carnaby, as Cuthbert Carnaby told William Stapulton. The master of Sempringham. Skut, Queen's tailor. Wm. Dale for buying wine. Thos. Asshe, poticary. Mr. Thomas Henage, an obligation which the Earl says he paid at my lord Steward's house of Little St. Albans at Westm., 104*l.* Lawrence Warren, goldsmith, for a flower of diamonds, 20*l.* Obligations dated 5 Aug. 19 Hen. VIII. to Nich. Vinacheis; 6 Dec. *a°* *supradicto*, for 281*l.* 11*d.* on which obligation it appears the Earl received 50*l.* more. To my lady his wife for her living, behind 2½ years at Easter last, 500 mks.

Total, 1,689*l.* 5*s.* 5½*d.*

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* "My l. Northumberland's debts."

30 June. R. O. **173.** The "Sofferyng" (Sovereign) and Commons of Wexford to Cromwell.

We perceive by your letters that you and the friends of Wm. Sayntloo have obtained from the King that we shall enjoy our ancient liberties. The town is on one side compassed by the King's enemies and has no walls, and ships are deterred from coming by the ill entry of the haven. In the town are 500 men able to serve the King. There is 18 mks. 3*s.* 5*d.* st. of chief rent and the earl of Shrewsbury's officers would allow us the "holde rents" for some years. Begs Cromwell will move the King to remit the chief rents to the town for its defence for ever, as in Waterford and other towns. Wexford, 30 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Private Seal. *Endd.:* Weysheford.

30 June. Baronius xxxii. 455. **174.** Paul III. to Card. Pole.

Is sorry to have sent him among so many dangers in vain, but sees both by his letters, and those of the bp. of Verona, that he grieves only for the public cause and is unmoved by his personal danger. Summons him back to Rome at his earliest convenience, as there are at this difficult time many things upon which the Pope needs his advice. Rome, 30 June 1537, pont. 3.

Latin.

30 June. Poli Epp. ii. 63. **175.** College of Cardinals to Card. Pole.

Have received his letters of 10 June from Liege, and rejoice that he has brought his company to a place of safety, but are disappointed that so many unexpected difficulties have presented themselves. Are anxious about the issue, but trust in his wisdom and experience and doubt not his perseverance. God will lighten the labour and give the happy issue (*exitum*) which they expect; with his wished-for return. Write letters of thanks, as required, to the card. of Liege. Rome, 30 June 1537.

Latin.

30 June. Poli Epp. ii. 70. **176.** Card. Contarini to Card. Pole.

Has received his letters of 10 June, with those to the Pope and College of Cardinals. The Pope greatly praised his letter and sent it to his grandson (*nepos*) Card. Farnese as an example of good letters. The Pope is grateful to the bp. of Liege, praises Pole's letter to the Cardinals, and refers money matters to Ambrosius. Had a long conversation with him

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176. Card. Contarini to Card. Pole—*cont.*

about English affairs, and he does not see, considering the state of Christendom and the approaching attack from the Turk, that there is any hope. He has much fear for Pole's safety, whom he considers a precious treasure (to quote his own words) to be preserved for better times. Thinks the Pope has decreed Pole's return for the Kalends of November, to the Council which is indicted for that date. Diligent negociations about this are carried on with the king of the Romans and the French King. Rome, Prid. Kal. Julias 1537.

Latin.

177. Memoranda for Council.

R. O. "—— King's Highness in case his g[race] . . . . . thither these noble men to ha[ve] . . . . . to declare the causes of the K[ing's] . . . . . before written, and to have comman[dment] to exhibit as much honor to my [lord of] Norff. being lieutenant as can be conveniently devised."

Item, that it may please the King to remember the promise to the lord of Norfolk for his return, whose service deserves reward. If the King will recall him, that then a council be established there as in the Marches of Wales, and lands appointed for its support and for the charges of Barwyke, &c. Like provision might be made for the charges of the King's household and for Calais, Guisnes, and Hammes.

Item, the Council think that a general free pardon would be great benefit to the establishment of perfect tranquillity; especially if such "other things" were included in it as to give an honest reason for men to sue it out, "as intrusions, riots, contempts, deceits" or the like. They think the benefit of the seal would countervail all losses.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 2. *The beginning lost.*

178. Darcy and Sir Robert Constable.

R. O. Immediately before Sir Robert Constable "should receive his rights" in the Tower, it was asked him if his confession in writing was all he knew. He answered that it was, although he knew of "naughty words and high cracks that my lord Darcy had blown out," which he would not show while the said lord was alive, for they would do no good and he had no proof of them. He was in doubt whether he had offended God in receiving the Sacrament, concealing this. He would only declare the words generally as before recited. He spoke them "out of confession, saying they could hurt no man now that my lord Darcy was dead." He would not be brought to declare openly, when he suffered, that he had committed treason since the pardon; "howbeit his open confession was right good."

P. 1. *Endd.*

179. Sir Ric. Tempest to Cromwell.

R. O. According to the order of your Lordship and others of the Council, I remain in the Fleet, where I am in jeopardy of life, the weather is so hot and contagious, and the plague so sore in the city. I beg that, under sufficient sureties, I may resort to my house in Lincolnshire, 2 days' journey from hence, until after the assise in Yorkshire, in which Sir Henry Savell and all others can inquire into the charges against me; and that I may appear in Michaelmas term next to answer them; when, if you will take the matters between Sir Henry Savell and me into your hands, I will obey your order and the King's. The Flette in London this Sunday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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180. Office of Treasurer of the Chamber.

R. O. 1. Deposition of Alan Hawte and Thomas Carmarden, clerks to Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, and of Thos. Knotte, clerk to the said Alan Hawte, in their own defence against a complaint by Cornelius Hayes, one of the King's goldsmiths, of a misreckoning of 100*l.* in payment of a warrant for New Year's Gifts. Referring, among other things, to entries in their books of 18 June, 29 Hen. VIII.
Large paper, pp. 10.

R. O. 2. "A breviate of the effect of a book lately made and delivered to my lord Privy Seal by Alan Hawte, Thos. Carmarden, and Thos. Knot" relative to the same matter.
Large paper, pp. 2. *Two copies.*

181. Prisoners in the Tower.

Titus B. I. 155. B. M. Archæol. XVIII. 294. A list of prisoners committed at different times to the Tower and the charge of their maintenance.

Lady Anne Hungerforde, for 10 months at 10*s.* a week; her sister, the same time, at 5*s.*; Geo. Heyes, Scot, secretary to the duke of Albany, 2 years at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir Peers Devyllers, a French knight, for 2 years and 1 month at 10*s.*; his servant at 40*d.*; Bylney, for 2 years and 6 months at 5*s.*; Humfrey Lysly, for 1 year and 2 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; William Raynold of Tosseter, for 1 year and 2 months at 40*d.*; Rys app Gryffyth, for his bed and board for 11 months at 10*s.*, and his servant, at 40*d.*; lord Dacres and Sir Chr. Dacres, 4 months at 20*s.* and 10*s.*; Thos. Abell, for 2 years and 4 months at 40*d.*; Nic. Federston, 2 years and 2 months at 40*d.*; Dr. Wylson, for 2 years and 2 months at 5*s.*; Dr. Powell, for 2 years and 6 months at 5*s.*; John Howghton, prior of the Charterhouse of London, Austyne Webster, prior of Axham, and Robt. Laurans, prior of Bevall, 5 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Hale, vicar of Thystylworth, 5 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Mydmore, Wm. Axmeu, and Bastyane Neudegate, monks of the Charterhouse, 4 weeks at 40*d.*;* the bp. of Rochester, 14 months at 20*s.*; Sir Thos. More, for 3 months unpaid, at 10*s.*, and his servant at 5*s.*; Edw. Brymmyngeham, for his board and bedding for 180 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Thos. Fytzgarrad, for his board and bedding for 16 months at 20*s.*; Robt. Salysbury, abbot Devala Crucis, for 3 months at 10*s.*; Jas. and John Fitzgarrad, knts., for [11]† months at 10*s.* a week [each]; Walter, Ric., and Oliver Fitzgarrard, for 11 months at 6*s.* 8*d.* [each]; Dr. Townely, 8 months at 5*s.*; Sir Thos. Percy, 6 months and odd, at 10*s.*; Sir Fras. Bygate, 6 months at 10*s.*; Dr. Makerell, for 3 months at 10*s.*, and his chaplain, at 40*d.*; Geo. Lumbley, for 3 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Vicar of Lowth, for 3 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Robt. Tomson, for 3 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Nic. Leche, priest, Thos. Roteford, priest, Barnard Flecher, Rob. Sothby, Robt. Lenche (Leche), Roger Nevoo, Ph. Trotter, Long Botton, all of Lincolnshire, for 3 months at 40*d.* [each]; Lord Darcy, for 8 weeks at 20*s.*; Sir Roberd,‡ for 8 weeks at 10*s.*; Alske, for 8 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; my lord Howsew, for 8 weeks at 20*s.*; prior of Dancaster, for 3 months at 10*s.*; Dr. Marmaduke, for 4 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir John Bulmer and his wife, for 6 weeks at 20*s.*; Mr. Hamerton, knt., for 6 weeks at 10*s.*; Nic. Tempest, for 6 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; quondam of Ryvalles, for 6 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; quondam of Fonteyns, for 6 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; quondam of Gysbowe, for 6 weeks at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Burnell the Irishman, for 7 months at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Parson Alyn, for 3 months at 6*s.* 8*d.* (The rates given are the payments per week, and a month means four weeks exactly.)

Total, 757*l.* 19*s.*

* The sum of their charges, however, is given as 53*s.* 4*d.* † This number is scored out.
‡ Sir Robert Constable.

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Lady Anne, Lord Rocheford, Sir Francis Weston, Master Hen. Norrys, Sir Wm. Bruton, and Markes Smeton. These persons had lands and goods sufficient of their own.

"Also these for their boarding only besides their fees."

Pp. 3. *Endd.* The charges of certain prisoners in the Tower.

182. Richard Chamber to Dr. Henes.*

R. O. Immediately on coming to Exeter gave Mr. Treasurer Henes' letter and then the King's. By his order took them to the bishop, who marvelled that the King's letters were made so slenderly, and said if he had been of counsel they should have been of more pith. However, he knew they were the King's letters and that the King had given Henes the deanery and prebend, and he would obey them in all things. He would give him institution and induction of the prebend at once, but as to the deanery, he must first be elected by the chapter, and it would be three weeks before he could take possession, for citations must be sent for the chapter to be present at his installation. That was the old law and custom, and as the King had written to put him in possession after the most assured ways, it will be better for him to follow the old law, whatsoever chance should befall to the King. Discussed the matter with the bishop, treasurer, archdeacon, and chancellor. The chancellor asked Chamber if he could speak Latin, which he said he could not. Then the chancellor and the other masters communed together and the chancellor said "No, no, cave ad enter." Supposes he spake that, if any chance should come to the King otherwise then well he would be one of the first to put Henes out, because he had not possession after the old law and custom. They put him in possession of both on Monday. Then rode to Bushopes Tawton, Sunbryge, and Lankey, the three benefices which Mr. Cole† has in farm, 30 miles beyond Exeter. Branton is 7 miles beyond that, and the farmer of the benefices lies 30 miles further in the edge of Cornwall, which he thought too far, having such a rude house to prepare for the doctor's coming, and other business to do. Wrote to him for a sight of his lease, and will send a copy. At Branton spoke with John Wyett, a rich and honest man who has the parsonage house and land in farm by chapter seal for 29*s.* a year. Mr. Coffen was not at home, but he and Walker are agreed about the benefice. Walker is in Lord Montygeu's house at Dowgate. Gives further particulars about lands and a mill at Branton, for which he was offered 5*l.* for a fine, but he said he had no commandment to let it. The house at Exeter is in bad repair and the garden a wilderness. Has spent 30*s.* in trimming it. Can get no mattresses made. The house will not be ready for three weeks or a month. They die sore of the sickness here. They are half afraid of a privy insurrection of Cornishmen. Exeter.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.:* Dr. Haynes.

183. A Fragment.

R. O. . . . . the fyrst booke that [I] dyd make to Mr. . . . . .'s commandement [and] the confession of . . . . . .

Deliv[ery]d to Mr. Wryseley the bill synyd by my lord [of Northum]berland.

. . . . . ery and the copy of the pardon in Lyncolnshire [to Mr. Richa]rd Crumwell which ca[me] to me for the [same in] my lordes name."

In Richard Pollard's hand. Mutilated.

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* Elected dean of Exeter 16th July 1537.—*Le Neve.*

† Thomas Cole had in farm the benefices of Bishop's Tawton, Swimbridge, and Landkey, which belonged, as did also Braunton, to the deanery of Exeter. *See* Valor Eccl. II. 295.

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184. A Political Rhyme.

R. O. "vj. is com, v. is goon, wyth thris ten, be ware al men,
vij wyth vij shall mete wyth viijth and viijth many
a thousande shall wepe ad parabulam hanc.
If I shulde seye what it is I shuld have no thanke.
For he that ne rekketh where that he steppeth,
He may lyghtly wade to depe."

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185. Augmentation.

R. O. Valor of the abbey of Tupholme. Clear value 99*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.* *Signed:* Rychard Ryche.
"The clear value of Knathe late the Lord Darcy per annum 29*l.* 6*s.*"

Latin, pp. 2.

186. Darcy Papers.

The following letters, which were of course seized at the time of Darcy's arrest, are of various dates, some of them as early as the reign of Henry VII. An attempt has been made to put them in chronological order; how far successfully the reader must judge for himself.

A.D. 1500. 1. Sir John Baxster, Priest, to Sir Thomas Darcy, Captain of Berwick.

R. O. Has received his letters commanding the writer to certify him of "o . . . . . t afore to Christopher Clapam, Thomas Gryce, and me." According to Darcy's command went to my lord of Carlisle* with the King's letter; and h[e was we]ll content therewith, as his saying wa[s] . . . . ; howbeit afterward he railed and said the King made him dogb . . . . for every man without profit, with other hot wo[rds] anense you, whereby we know he loves you not. That done we went to Schyryff Howton, and there we kept a court," where Darcy's "patyn" (patent) was read, and every man was glad; for they said they had heard much good spoken of him. Master Evyrs "took the few (view) of the deer, and I trow he fewed them to ten score deer, and also he wrote all manner of thing within the castle, and be ye assured it is but of little valour." Then kept a court at Kirkbemorsyd in the name of Darcy and my lady, "and there appeared afore us the fairest company of men that ever I saw at one court in my life, and there Master Evyrs was admitted your steward." "Then we communed with them for garsummys, and so to make a short conclusion ye shall have contenente what by gersummys and by fines upon a 50*l.* with every man's good heart forth of that lordship. And as for Bywell, we were not there for because Thomas Gryce could not be at leisure; for, Sir, I would not a given a pin for all our deeds if he had been away;" so they wrote to the baron of Hylton for the Whitsunday farm of Bywell, and the baron delivered 60*l.* to Darcy's servant, Hugh Cowdayll. Today Gryce and Cowdayll go to Grymmysbe, where they will have Pasche farm. Have also been at Sylkston, where by fines and other ways we got 20 marks. There is a little town belonging to Schyryff Howton called Cropton, of which Robert Otter desires to be bailiff; Gryce and the writer recommend him. Is commanded by Darcy to go to Berwick and take charge of his house. Darcy's sons have been sore sick "for want of keeping." After the decease of Mistress Clapham they were had to Robert Guintans (?), and are now well amended. Darcy's sister is with Master Scargyll, and well "cherished." Master William Vavesour is deceased,† and it is said that they all agreed that Master Herre‡ shall have the whole land. Master Sheriff and Master Gryffyn have given award in Maudysley's matter. Master Metham has since put him from the land, and is about to take certain land from men of Polyngton within Darcy's rule at Snaythe, "which land

* William Sever.
† He died on the 26th March 15 Hen. VII. (1500). *See* Inq. p. m. 16 Hen. VII. No. 31.
‡ Henry Vavasour his brother.

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was taken by copy of his ancestors; but as yet I shall keep him from it." At Darcy's coming he must remember to put some men of substance at Tempyll Hyrst, "for what by Sir John Everhynham of t'one side and Master Metham of the other side, they will cache herein, for I understand Horylsthorp will none of it. I have put the rule to Cwyvyll (?) to your coming. Also, Sir, John Mansell hath been twice at Berwick since ye departed, and therefore I trow he hath set himself upon a nevyn bord[er, accor]ding to your commandment." Tempyll Hyrst, 28th [March]. *Signed.*

Pp. 2, mutilated. Add.

A.D. 1505–9. 2. [DARCY to HENRY VII.]

R. O. Has remained here at his poor house as the King commanded since he parted with his Grace. Has good espials as to the demeanour of the King's subjects and tenants at Knaresborough, and how they took their enlarging out of prison. Thinks them to be true subjects who consider their liberation due only to the King and trust he will bear with them against the abbot of Fountains for having taken in the common that he claims as his. Does not find that they owe any grudge to my lord archbishop. Heard from the deputy and [council] of Berwick this week that the prior of Durham has preferred an English M.A. to the abp. of St. Andrew's in Scotland to be vicar of Berwick; and he would have gone with the "bowcer" through Berwick to the said abp. for institution, but the Council stopped them.

Has inquired and finds that for these 40 winters wherein the town has been in the hands of his Grace and his progenitors was never man so presented to the said abp. The said "bowcer" told the deputy and council that they came in sentence of cursing for stopping them. Desires instructions lest the benefice lapse. The town and marches are in good condition, having neighbours of so high and crafty minds "as the Scots be *still*" (the last word cancelled). Darcy's officers have disputes with them about their grazing cattle within the bounds, and they wish the diets always held in Scotland instead of in England and Scotland alternately.

As the King gave him leave to attend in his Court on his procuring a deputy at Berwick, has now there "right a tall knight both of his acts and personage," who, he trusts, will satisfy the King. Desires licence accordingly to come to Court at Michaelmas. On his coming from the King of late, found the abp. much set against him from a belief that he had laboured to obtain the abp.'s offices for himself, which he never thought. Sent his lordship accordingly a letter of which he encloses a copy. The abp. takes clearly to maintenance, and wishes Darcy to give up possession of lands which he has peaceably occupied to his servant Will. Malivera, who with lord Conyers and himself is at travers for the same. Desires that the King will command him not to meddle, but let the law take its course. [Two further paragraphs as to this dispute are crossed out, in which he incidentally speaks of having served the King for 20 winters and desires exemption from the abp.'s jurisdiction for himself and his officers.]

Begs that no credence be given to the abp.'s complaints till he may come to his answer.

Corrected draft in Darcy's hand, pp. 4. Gall stained and slightly mutilated. An exact official transcript in a modern hand is preserved along with it.

A.D. 1509. 3. DRAFT BOND by LORD DARCY.

R. O. To pay 40*l.* to John Clapame, late marshal of Berwick, to deliver to Darcy his patents, &c. of the office of marshal granted by Henry VII. 3 Sept. 1 [Hen. VIII.]

In Darcy's hand. Mutilated, p. 1.

A.D. 1512. 4. DRAFT of a WRIT.

R. O. To a warden [lord Dacre] to serve a *capias outligatum* (*sic*) against Nicholas Rydley for 100*l.* recovered at law by Lord Darcy in Trinity Term 4 Henry VIII.

Delivered 20*s.* upon accounts to Halile.

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" Mr. Lyster and Mr. Strey, this draft above " was Mr. Attorney's mind I should draw for his remembrance. For six years has had a *capias " owligatum "* against Rydley, but never could get the King's writs served. Thinks it a delay of the l. Dacre and would give Mr. Attorney, Mr. Solicitor, and Mr. Heron, 40*l.* to take this in payment of the " first 100*l.*" at Christmas next.

ii. Memoranda:—Where and when my lord shall seal his obligation. At Stepney or London one day next week for Mr. Melton's matter. Mr. Coony. To bring my lord [word] of Mr. Slingsby whether my l. Cardinal tarry at home on Sunday or not.

iii. Memoranda:—To Mr. Attorney, Solicitor, and Heron for my sureties. To Mr. Chancellor for Roundhey Grange. To Mr. Auditor for Ackworth lordship. To have Mr. Auditor's bill for sale and delivery of stone in Pheppyn Park. Privy Seal for Ridley.

i. *and* iii. *with the endorsement are in Darcy's hand. Pp.* 2. *Endd.:* Copy of the King's letter to my Lord Dacre, for serving a *capias outligatum.*

A.D. 1513. 5. A Tailor's Bill of Lord Darcy.

R. O. For making a gown of black satin lined with black velvet, 4*s.*; for a doublet of russet damask, 3*s.* To the broiderer for quilting the same doublet, 6*s.* 8*d.*, &c.: Total, " xlxjs. iiij*d.* (should be 51*s.* 4*d.*) " Payd bey mey lorde at hes depeyng (*departing*) fourth of London ljs. iiij*d.*, and than all thynges chlere. Be me Frances Howllson."

P. 1. *Endd.:* My tallor bill, a° v°.

6. Thomas Lord Darcy.

R. O. Bill of debts contracted by lord Darcy in 1504 to William Botry of London, mercer, viz., for damask, velvet, buckram, " sypers," &c., and an obligation of 200*l.* due at Hallowtide 1504, and additional debt incurred there remained due 15 June 5 Hen. VIII. 142*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*

" Memorandum, my lord about his viage Westward made a clear reckoning and than ought 200*l.*, for the which my lord did bind him in an obligation of 200*l.* with condition for payment of the said 200*l.* at Hallowmas next, &c. The said obligation dated 27 day of July, the 19th year of K. H. the 7th. And since that time were paid 99*l.* 11*s.* at one time, and at another time in lead 100*l.*"

Pp. 8.

A.D. 1516. 7. Lord Darcy's Steward to Lord Darcy.

R. O. In answer to a letter touching the custody of Berwick Castle, and a message delivered by his fellow Carnaby, complaining of his management. Has not received one penny of his brother Strangwis.* My cousin, the constable, says you wished him to have the oversight of your pastures; "so I have little to do, and in manner stand as syphus (a cipher) in agrym, except the oversight of your sheep, which I shall daily, with the help of Atkinson, look upon." Thinks his lordship's mistrust of him is due to Geo. Trowlopp, who has procured the delivery of five or six bows of Darcy's ordnance to people in the town, &c. Berwick, 2 April [circ. 1516?]

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

8. View of Accounts of Bamborough

R. O. For the year ending Mich. 8 Hen. VIII., including a payment " to my lord self in Stepney " of 20*l.*, another of 20*l.* in gold to Cuthbert Conears; 5*s.* 8*d.* for two butts to pack my lord's harness; 13*s.* 4*d.* to Sir Thomas Wilson " for gederyng lames " (gathering lambs), and 4*s.* for two men to drive them; and 3*s.* 4*d.* to John Rey for delivering a privy seal to Nic. Rydlay.

P. 1. *Endd. by Darcy:* Compotus W. Langton, a° viij° R. R. H. viii^ti^ per Bawmburgh.

* Thomas Strangwish, master porter of Berwick, see Vol. II., No. 1769.

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9. Note of an Agreement, 6 Nov. 8 Hen. VIII.

R. O. Between Thomas lord Darcy and Robert Hoppen, gent., and John Hoppen his nephew. The Hoppens to be jointly and severally Darcy's receiver and bailey of Bamborough, Nthld., under certain conditions, one of which is "The said lord to lay out ready money, 40*s.* besides the help of bounds of the tenants and other good inhabitants of Bawmburthshire and lordship, to the winning of the coal field; and if it be won the said R. and John to give therefor 20*l.* by year." *Signed by* Darcy and Robt. Hoppyn.

Pp. 2, *with many corrections.*

A.D. 1518. R. O. 10. "Th'accomptes of James Johnson gaiteherd at Roundhagh, sithens his first entre the ffirst day of Aprill a° viij^vo unto the xvj^th day of Januar than next ensuyng, a° ix^no."

This account is merely of the number of "gaites" (goats), and their increase in the year. It contains an item "Delivered to the Queen of Scots at her lying at York and Pounte[fret]," nine kids. Another mentions four delivered to Will. Dyneley, steward and clerk of the kitchen when my lord came from Hirst (Templehirst) to Temple Newsom.

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A.D. 1519. R. O. 11. Darcy to Lister.

"Mr. Lister, my good friend," the bearer, requires 6*l.* for the rest of his warrant I assigned to you for payment. Please see him content. By whom you will I will write to Gaylle to pay his duty; and next week Thos. Stranwaissh and I shall reckon for your 20*l.* Md. Twissilton, that Swillyngton escape me not; and for Hadylsayes. Friday at Stepnhey, "yours faith[fully], T. [Darcy]."

Hol., p. 1. On the back is an acknowledgement of receipt 4 [Nov]ember 10 Hen. VIII. from the within-named Richard Lyster of 4*l.* in full contentation of all reckonings between Lord Darcy and Robt. Katelyn. *Signed by* J. Burgh. *Below which occurs the following note:—*

Total 10*l.* due to me Ric. Lyster, by my Lord Darcy a° x H. 8. "Allo^r. a° xj H. viij."

Endd.

A.D. 1520. R. O. 12. Harry Beck to Lord Darcy.

Excuses his failure in sending him 20*l.* Not knowing that his son Lanart (Leonard) Mourtton would come to London, sent it by a merchant of Newcastle, and when they were at sea they could not land till they came to Scarborough.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd. by Darcy:* Anno xij° R. R. H. viij^to. *Mark of Seal.*

A.D. 1521. R. O. 13. Bill indented, 16 May 13 Hen. VIII.

Of the delivery by John Hoppyn, bailly of Bawmburgh to Ric. Pykeryng, of 14 score tithe lambs, and how they were disposed of.

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R. O. 14. "Matters had in communication at Pountfret at the court there holden upon the Trinity even, a° xiij°" (25 May 1521).

1. Between Jas. Rawson, of Besacre, and Will. Banke, in the name of Chr. Urstwike. 2. John Empson's matter touching the mills at Leeds. 3. Between Edw. and Wm. Turton, of Penyston, and John Jakson, and Isabel his wife. 4. Between Roger Jakson and Rob. Huntyngdon. 5. Between Dawson the bailly and Geo. Hedley, of Castilforth. Notes of business done in each case. *Signed* William Eleson: Water Bradford.

Memorandum in Darcy's hand below.

Mutilated, p. 1. *Endd.:* "Maters (?) examined by my lord's counsall at Ponffret upon Trinite even anno xiij° H. Octavi."

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15. Darcy to ———.

R. O. Has found by the bearer, Allan Geffreyson his servant, a quittance for the 14*l.* "that is in your brother George's hands." Desires him to deliver the other bills for the 60*l.* had of John Kyng, and to warn the bailly of Bamborough and Harry Bek, "for I have great business with money."

ii. Subjoined is a draft receipt from Sir Ric. Yorke to Geo. Swynburne for 60*l.* received through John Kyng as attorney to Thos. Mirfen, alderman of London, from the lands of Fras. Hastyng in Northumbd. Dated 3 June, 13 Hen. VIII.

Corrected draft in Darcy's hand, p. 1.

16. Chr. Urswick to Lord Darcy.

R. O. The King has issued a commission to Darcy and others for the trial of his right to lands in Baddisworthe during the nonage of Edward son of John Halley, of which he has wrongfully been deprived by Jas. Rawson and Chr. Bradforde. Asks him to take pains in the matter. Desires credence for his kinsman and deputy Wm. Banke. Hakeney, 30 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Mr. Urswicke's letter to my L. in June, a° xiij°, and the copy of my Lord's letter to Edward Goldsburgh for hunting.

ii. Darcy to Edward Goldsburgh.

Asks by what authority he hunts in the parks of the honour of Pontefract and Knaresburgh. Is principal master of the King's game on this side Trent, as well in the Duchy, for Yorkshire, as otherwise. Tempilnewsum, 6 Aug.

Draft, in Darcy's hand, on the back of the preceding letter.

17. Lord Darcy's Remembrances.

R. O. To write to Mr. Lister for my lord of Durham all the whole circumstance of that matter; to Arthur to labour therein with Mr. Lister; to Mr. Mirfen for Sir Ric. Yorke; for a marriage for my daughter; kind letters to Sir J. Hussey, Sir Weston Browne, with Wentworth. Mem. of things to be bought, silks, spermaceti, Spanish onions, nutmegs, &c. On the other side are entries of expenditure in June, a° xiij.

Hol., pp. 2.

18. Lord Darcy to Henry VIII.

R. O. Fragment of a draft. *Hol.*

19. Lord Darcy.

R. O. "The first year's accounts of Thos. Strangways for Devonshire."

Among the items are:—For my lord's russet gown and coat, 28*s.* For my lord of Durham, 50*l.* For Lewys Herpysfeld, 69*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* For Avere Rausyn's matter, 20*l.* For the water of Berwick, 20*l.* For my lady, 8*l.* For Sir Robt. Constable, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

20. Sir Robt. Nevyl to Lord Darcy.

R. O. In accordance with their communication at Tempelhyrst, sends to him a priest of his own, whom he purposes to send to Kellyngton if Darcy approves, as the vicar and other men of the parish have put in a priest, as the bearer Claton can show. Asks him to send a servant or some writing by the said priest. Certify them of his mind. Leverseges (?), St. Peter's even.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

21. Richard Bower to Lord Darcy.

R. O. "My lord dean hath not fully penned your college," but nothing will be altered in substance from your pleasure. I am to have it by St. James' day. Desires to know when the chapter shall be. "Concerning your master in the hospital, there shall be nothing attempted but at your pleasure." The schoolmaster at Southwell is a substantial

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grammarian. Would like to wait upon Darcy in his Lordship's journey to the West Borders. Supposes he and the other commissioners will want a clerk to report matters. Darcy might favour him with my lord Armycane* against Mr. Dalbie.† "The sickness is somewhat quick in York, and likely to be more. Poverty is such that one in manner may not forbear another, and provision there is none made." York, Wednesday, 17 July [either 1510 or 1521, most probably the latter].

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

22. [LORD DARCY to the WARDEN OF THE OBSERVANTS AT NEWCASTLE ?]

R. O. Has received his letter dated 31 Dec. Is bound by oath to cause 200 masses to be said for every one of his brethren of the Garter. Divers orders of friars have offered to do them, but will give the preference to them of Newcastle or Newark. Will pay them five marks when certified that 400 masses have been said for the souls of the Duke of Buckingham and Sir Edward Poynings. They must be said before 14 Feb. next. Speaks of Wm. Hotham and Harry Eur.

Draft, in Darcy's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Copy of my Lord's letter to the Observants.

23. [DARCY] to the SHERIFFS OF YORK.

R. O. Concerning Will. Whalley, whom they have in ward for having false money. Has attached a monk of Cristall for coining, and keeps him in Pontefract castle. He has confessed and informed of his fellows. Desires credence for Walter Bradford and John Halile.

Draft in Darcy's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* The copy of my Lord is letter to the sheriffs of York, a° xiij° [1521–2].

ii. Below the draft is written in another hand:—

"Memorandum that Dr. Ferreur and Mr. Bowyer be here with my lord upon Monday next after Trinity Sunday for the perfecting of the books belonging to my lord's hospital," &c.

A.D. 1523. 24. DARCY and MIRFYN.

R. O. Bond of Lord Darcy to Edw. Mirfyn, son and heir of Thos. Mirfyn, alderman of London, deceased, and Andrew Jud, his executor, for 40*l.* 15 March 15 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Vellum. On the dorse: Memoranda of payments to the above, 10 Feb., 16 Hen. VIII., and 20 Nov. 1528.

25. "A BRIEF MEMORANDUM of the CREDENCES to my COUSIN, SIR J. HUSSEY, K."

R. O. 1. For a marriage to my lord Monteagle. 2. That Starkey on probation of the will be excluded from being executor. 3. If Bank find sureties and marry my Lord by our advices I would he had both our authorities to act till my young lord come of age, &c. [1523.]

Rough draft, in Darcy's hand, p. 1.

26. RIC. BANK to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Touching accounts which Mr. Burgon, the King's auditor, was too busy to examine at Clitheroe. Wishes a copy of the books and bills of expenses of Mr. Hussy, which he had sent to Darcy. Death of Wm. Sclater, "whom Mr. Tunstall's servants did so sore beat." Hornby, 25 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

* John Kite, abp. of Armagh, who became bp. of Carlisle in 1521.

† Doubtless Thomas Dalby, archdeacon of Richmond.

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27. Cuthbert Conyers to Lord Darcy.

R. O. Touching a stud of mares that Darcy proposed to set up. Desires certain warrants. Lord Conyers thinks the prisoner should be examined further whether he knew of many unhappy matters done in Richmondshire. Trusts we shall have good rule now in the Bpric. because Sir Will. Bulmer and the Chancellor* and all their parttakers are well agreed. No news but of the most abominable stealing, and taking of prisoners, that ever was heard of in peace time.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. With memoranda on the back of warrants for venison from forests and parks named.*

28. Saddles.

R. O. A bill for saddles, buckles, &c., supplied to lord Darcy, and discharged by Sir Ric. Yorke, kt., and Chr. Carnaby, yeoman of lord Darcy's horse.

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29. William Lord Conyers to Lord Darcy.

R. O. Wishes him to send a trusty servant with the bearer, his own servant Wm. Boone, to the manor of Suthrop to see how his uncle Ranold Conyers occupies it. He says he has had no profit therefrom since Darcy took the distress there until Darcy and Conyers were agreed at York, and thinks he should not be called upon for the rents. A farm of his near Ganysburgh called Donstoll, of 40*s.* a year, has been witheld for the same time. "My cousin Borow took it by lease for term of years, and thus God knoweth how I have be dealt with therein." As Darcy and he are now agreed, asks him to help him to recover his own as it is so far from him. Horneby, 17 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd. by Darcy:* My L. Conyers' letter to be in mem. at Knath [1509–23].

30. William [Lord] Conyers to Lord Darcy.

R. O. Has by his cousin Thomas Tempest received a bill of articles from Darcy reciting the agreement between them made before the lord of St. Mary and others at York. Will do anything in reason if Darcy's counsel will meet his at next assises at York. Where Darcy writes of certain lands in Ireland, Balengare Ashe and others; will move his cousin Strangways to put the matter in Darcy's hands. Credence for Thomas Tempest. Horneby, 9 Jan.

P.S. *in his own hand:* If anything is omitted in this let our counsell settle it at York. "And also owice me os your luffyng cosyn and frend when I itt like yo to call off me. And so I hertly trust in your cosynaiges os Jh'u (Jesu) knowith woy send yow long liffe with hertis comforth. Yours with hertt." *Signed.* [1509–24].

Pp. 2. *Add.*

A.D. 1524. 31. Sir George Darcy to [Lord Darcy].

R. O. Advises him not to take Hardelsay at a fee farm but to buy it and sell Elyngton, to make the first payment. Hardelsay itself will pay every payment after. Refers to bearer. "Hes dowghter ys cok sewr your lordschypes." Suggests that he should make my lord Steward privy that Mr. Holmes or some other of his counsel might be present at the visitation, if Darcy gets the commission. If anything but good happens to the writer, the child will lose his right. Asks him, if the commission has come, to send a letter to my lord dean that the vicar might have his copy from May (?).

Hol., p. 1. *Headed:* To my Lord.

32. Lord Darcy to Sir John Hussey of the King's Council.

R. O. Acknowledges letters from Hussey. Would meet him before his going up at Doncaster. The commission of lonnes (loans ?). As to wars and affairs on the Borders, would open his mind in articles for the lord Privy Seal and Hussey to consider and show to the Council. This will be specially useful "if wars endure with France." "Touching my lord Montegell and another marriage greater your advice I would have at our meeting." I

* Will. Franklin, chancellor of Durham.

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trust that "of this journey to the last day of June" the King and the realm may have profit so that our part of the charges may be thought well bestowed; "for the like I never heard of" * * * *

Mutilated. In Darcy's hand, p. 1. *Add.*

A.D. 1525. 33. SIR JOHN HUSE to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Is glad to hear of his good health and his lady's. Intended to have visited him this grass time, but the duke of Richmond and Somerset is coming northward and will be at Gatham on Monday, where Huse must meet him, though he can hardly ride. The bearer will declare what money Huse has received this year, and ask how Ric. Banks' arrears may be recovered towards the payments for the King, and the ordering of the parsonage of Mellyng, and my lord's other lands. Sleford . . Aug. [1525].

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

34. HADILSAYS.

R. O. Account of the receipts and issues of the lordship of Hadilsays. These are payments to two chantry priests, to York and Pomfrett castles, "my fee," Mr. Gryce's fee, &c.

Note at the end:—"Thos. Sotehylle squier and Margere his wife, cousin and heir to William Fitzwilliam, squier of Sprodburgh, in the same county."

Small paper, pp. 2. *In Darcy's hand.*

[About 1525. *See* Vol. IV. 1166.]

35. THOS. SOTEHYLL to LORD DARCY.

R. O. His spiritual counsel give him good comfort. Sayvell recorded his appearance and put in a bill of answer to Sotehyll's supplication. Must get a copy of it, and has other fees to pay. Asks Darcy to send him 5 marks, which he can take from the rents of Adellseys at Martinmas.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* On the back are memoranda by Darcy of moneys lent to Sotehyll.

[Date perhaps about 1525. *See* Grant to Henry Sayvyll in Vol. IV. No. 1230 (23), where, it should be noted, there is an error in the abstract. Margaret should not have been called "widow" but "late wife" of Thomas Sotehill. The mistake originated in the ambiguity of the contracted Latin, "Margaretæ nuper ux'is Thome Sotehill *defunct*'," where the last word seemed to stand for "defuncti," not "defunctæ." *See* preceding document.]

A.D. 1527. 36. MONEY.

R. O. Money come to my hands, received by my servant Alex. Hoghton from Trent north, from Michaelmas and Martinmas 18 Hen. VIII. to the like terms in 19 Hen. VIII., *i.e.*, "for three half years since my coming up."

Twenty-eight sums of money received from some dozen persons named. Total: 627*l.* 9*s.* 8½*d.*

Pp. 2. *Heading in Darcy's hand.*

A.D. 1529 ?. 37. [DARCY] to ———.

R. O. "I have seen your letter and bill indented sent with this bearer, wherein appears delays and persuasions, contrary to your promise at your departure," which was to send all the things in the bill that you had, whereof I have a copy in your hand. Item, I perceive Mr. Ratclif says he is not privy to the bill of articles. He is, and you too; and if you had declared all, he and all my lord's† servants should have been content. I am glad you opened this matter, that you and they may know I gain nothing and leave all the profits and lands, &c., to my son your master, taking, besides the bequest of my lord and brother,

† Wolsey's.

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only a bare 100*l.*; which I trust is as reasonable as Mr. Ratclif's 40*l.* and costs "which ye, my cousin Hussey, he and I were agreed unto, and if my cousin Hussee meld (meddled) not with the ward he to have as much as I." Item, this your letter stands evil with the last you sent me.

Hol., p. 1.

A.D. 1529. 38. Draft Petition to the King.

R. O. Draft petition to the King from A., B., C., D., &c., who are encouraged to make this representation both by the King's words and also by "your Chancellor† and Speaker of your High Court of Parliament." Represent that all parts of the realm, except the County Palatine, have been accustomed, time out of mind, to repair to the King's presence and to the Courts of Record at Westminster for remedies against offences; but the petitioners are under the jurisdiction of Commissioners who, upon the slightest pretence, may call us before them, "they being, for the most part, spiritual men and, we trust, good men. Albeit, seeing that there is no time of two titles within this your realm as was in king Henry and king Edward's days, nor ruffings like as was then of the earl of Warwick and others, but both the titles, and all lovings to God, is in your grace"; and seeing that there is no rebellion, and that we have proved our truths in various battles against your enemies in France and Scotland, we desire to live under the King without Commissioners; for at present, if we do well, the Commissioners get all the thanks, and if either we or any of the Commissioners offend, the whole blame is laid to us. We submit that spiritual men are not mete to govern us, nor other temporal men. According to the law, spiritual men should not sit upon murders or felonies. They cannot repress seditions or rebellions, nor see to invasions of Scotland, or the defences of the kingdom, "and, as great clerks do report, there is no manner of state within this your realm that hath more need of reformation, ne to be put under good governments, than the spiritual men." Refer it to the Lords of the Council whether, if so, they are mete to govern under such commission as they now have over the North parts. "For surely they and others spiritual men be sore moved against all temporal men." Fear that their commission was occasioned by surmises made to the King of our disloyalty. Hope that if any such insinuations be made hereafter, each of us may be called to answer before your Grace, and that sinister reports may not be believed till matter of record be tried against us. Express at the same time perfect willingness to obey any person put in authority by the King. [1529.]

Pp. 5, *broad sheets. With corrections in Darcy's hand. Endorsed in Darcy's hand:* "Memorandum how that the like commission that my Lady the King's grandam had, was tried and approved greatly to the King's disadvantage in stopping of many the lawful processes and course of his laws in Westminster Hall, and also his subjects thereby sustained great losses, hindrances, charges, and vexations thereby, and no gains commonly by any such commissioners, but the clerks which for their proper lucres doth upon every light surmise make out processes, &c."

ii. Rough draft of the preceding, entirely in Darcy's hand. *Pp.* 2.

A.D. 1528–30 ? 39. [Edith Lady Darcy] to her son the Earl of Westmoreland.

R. O. Thanks him for his inquiries, as she had been reported as very sore sick. Is glad of his recovery from small-pox. "And good son, honor and serve his Grace the better whilst ye live therefor." For herself, could not be better, "nor I lust never better life so long as the King's grace is joyous, yourself loving and natural to me and merry, and my lord my husband in good quart as he is." Commendations to her daughter my lady his wife. Tempilhirst, 26 March [year uncertain].

Draft in Lord Darcy's hand. Endd.: "Copy of my Lady's letter to my lord of Westmoreland." *** On the back is the commencement of a draft letter touching a message of which Richard Pickering is the bearer.

† Sir Thos. More.

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A.D. 1530. 40. Covenant.

Covenant between the earl of Shrewsbury and lord Darcy, and Sir George Darcy for a marriage between Thomas Darcy and lady Anne . . . . . , or, if the said Thomas die, between William, Sir George's second son, and the same lady. Estate to be made to Edward earl of Derby, the right hon. Robert [earl of Sussex (?), Francis lord] Talbot, Henry lord Fitzwalter, son and heir apparent [to the said earl of Sussex,* Francis] Hastynges, son and heir apparent to the right hon[orable George earl of Huntingdon] . . . . . Hussey, esq., son and heir apparent of . . . . . [Sir] Rob. Nevyll, knt., ———† Danby, ... and Ralphe Leche, esq., of and in the manors of Temple Newsom, Rothwell Manor, Rothwell Haye, and Beckenh[ay], otherwise [called] Beckenhay, Yorksh., their heirs and assigns, to uses expressed in indentures; also of and in the lands of the inheritance of the lady Dousabell Darcy, mother to the said Sir George, including the lands which descended to her as heir to Sir Richard Tempest, knt., except the manor of Lever, Lanc., exchanged for Gatforthe, Yorksh. by the said Sir George with Sir Arthur Darcy, &c. Estate also to be made of the lands of John Melton, with reservations of certain manors to the heirs of Dorothy, d. and h. to the said John Melton, now wife of said Sir George. For which marriage the earl of Shrewsbury is to pay 1,000*l.*, viz., 400 marks in ready money; 200*l.* on the day of St. Nicholas next at the font in St. Paul's Cathedral, London; 200*l.* on St. Nicholas' day, 1531; the like sum in 1532; and 200 marks in 1533.

Large paper, mutilated, pp. 15.

41. Thomas Gryce to Lord Darcy.

R. O. Dispute between Darcy and his tenants of Rothwell.‡ Advises him to "remember Master Chancellor§ and a little thing to Master Audelay,‖ the attorney there, and that will help the matter to an end." In the book the tenants have put into the Duchy chamber, the tenants of Wm. Legh appear as freeholders and copyholders, which is untrue. Advises him to send, by Pykkeryng the bearer, a restraint to Edmunde Parke to stay Mr. Nevyll, Mr. Danby, and "my cousin" Legh from hunting till Darcy's coming. Pulling down of palings in Rothwellhay. The auditor will not be with Darcy till nigh Whitsunday. "Sir Nic[olas cannot] come up to the great visitation of the abbeys be done of the Black Order in thie[s] . . . . . lord Cardinal Commissioners in these parts assigned, who are master Dunnyn[gton] . . . . . Clyfton, commissary at York. God help the poor abbeys! By the com . . . . . and priors, of that coat they are commanded to make true inventories of a . . . . . anornaments" and all other property, and show all charters, &c.; and all are to be in their monasteries when the Commissioners come, for what purpose none can tell, so till Pontefrett abbey be visited Sir Nicolas cannot come. 2 April [1530].

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.*

42. Thos. Grice to [Lord Darcy].

R. O. The most part of Wm. Legh's tenants, their wives, children, and servants, dwelling in Rothwell, except Middleton, were at the pulling down of your pale, dykes, and hedges. "They trust of a great hearing above when they shall be called there, by whom I know not." It is said that my cousin Legh said, when last with your Lordship, that neither he nor his tenants should order themselves except according to your pleasure, but the bearer will tell you his demeanour and words to Appillyerd, his tenant, and others. Now, the acts of his tenants and those of Ric. Grave appear. You may be even with them or forgive them, as you please, but if it is not reformed, it will be such a precedent that the

* So created in 1529. † Blank in M.S.

‡ See Vol. VI., Nos. 355, 537.

§ Sir Thomas More, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

‖ Thomas Audley, Attorney of the Duchy of Lancaster, afterwards lord Chancellor of England.

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King's officers and farmers will be lightly regarded. "But that that is their common profits to claim it for their custom without either precedent by writing or record showing for the same, but only their own words, which is, and hath been always, contrary to the truth and not of very right, as far as ever I could see." Help your poor tenants who have lost their crops and their labour in dyking, hedging, and stubbing.

Wakefield, 5 May [1530].

Hol., p. 1.

43. Edmond Parkar to Lord Darcy.

R. O. It is said that twelve men of Rothwell complained of Darcy to the King, but only five went up to London, viz., Gilbert Dobson, Antan More, Robt. Lucas, Robt. Burton, and Gilbert Stokes. Since he was with Darcy, on the 7th May, his neighbours have pulled down the pale of fifty acres of the new lawnd, of one little close enclosed to Pikeryng lodge. The old lawnd in the holding of Ric. Grave, lies open for the most part, and the pale of Hager playne is in decay. Grave "doth thaveryn" (?) Darcy's land to Henry Folyfe, his own tenant, Robt. Croft of Carlton, the King's tenant, Robt. Lynlay of Rothwell, George Smith, Leonard Gilzot, and Ric. Braythwhait. All the game goeth abroad so that it cannot be saved. Goes in jeopardy of his life. If any harm happens to him will put the blame on Wm. Lee. Asks Darcy to appoint some man to keep his game after Michaelmas. Has hired two of his brothers to do it. His neighbours of Rothwell have taken all the church goods to spend against Darcy. Rothwelhay, 23 June [1530].

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

44. Rothwell Haigh.

R. O. "The names of them amongst others of the offenders in Rothwelhey Park, that is first to be sent for."

26 names.

P. 1, *mutilated. In Darcy's hand. Endd.:* Lord Darcy.

45. Sir Geo. Darcy to his Father, Lord Darcy.

R. O. His father in law Sir John Melton had reasonable cause for not coming to the marriages of the writer's children. Is as much bound to him as to any man next to lord Darcy. Has spoken to Gylbert about his debt, which he will pay as soon as he receives money from his son's marriage. Townend is dead. Darcy's "garthinges" here and at Tempyll Newsom could not be more out of frame. Has had 100 day works here, but to little purpose. Asks him to send down some good "garthener" who can both skill of the "garthinge" and "hopgarthe." There are no rails to the park. Will trim it if he may have wood for pales and rails. The bearer, John Chawnterell, can tell him about the repairs of his house. Recommendation from Sir George's wife. Templehurst, 27 June [1530] *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

R. O. 46. Receipt by Sir Arthur Darcy of 10*l.* from his father, to repair injuries by fire at his house at Stepney, the landlord being Mr. Hew att Fen (?). 4 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.:* Sir Arthur for Fen hows.

47. Sir George Darcy to his Father, Lord Darcy.

R. O. I have received 100 mks. of the 500 mks. you should give me for the marriage of my son Thomas Darcy, to the help of my daughters and sons; which, if you need, spare not, and I can make up 200 mks. if you need it. My brother Sir Arthur Darcy at my departure from London would have given me my patent of Gatfforthe (?) according to our bargain, but I, seeing his kindness, let him keep the writings. Let him see the indentures "bo . . . . for the goodness of your lordship of reservation of Lever, Rodhey, and Bekhey." Written on Saint Thomas Day the Apostle, [1530 ?]. "To my father in law and it like you to give credence."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

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48. MEMORANDUM.

R. O. Of money lent by lord Darcy to Thos. Suttell, and of the payment of the Michaelmas and Martinmas ferm [of Haddelsey]. 22 Hen. VIII.

In Darcy's hand, p. 1.

A.D. 1531. R. O. 49. Two warrants of Thomas Sotehill for payments to be made out of the rents of Hadellseys, one of them to the prioress of Swyn. Both dated 8 Jan. 22 Hen. VIII.

A.D. 1531. R. O. 50. THOS. SOTEHYLL to [LORD DARCY].

Requests him to pay 20*l.* of the rents of his lordship of Hadilsays to Richard Bowier *alias* Stirley, notary, for the costs of the divorce of his daughter Elizabeth and Henry Savell. Richmond, 19 Aug. 23 Hen. VIII. *See* Vol. VII., No. 376.

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A.D. 1532. R. O. 51. ACCOUNT OF MONEYS.

Lent to Mr. Thomas Sotehill by lord Darcy, to be repaid out of the rents of Haddilseys lordship. The advances are at various dates from 31 Jan. 22 Hen. VIII. to 6 July 24 Hen. VIII. Several of them were made at Mortlake.

Pp. 2. *Several of the entries are in Darcy's hand.*

52. THOS. SOTEHYLL to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Has left Mr. Gawen to attend to his business in his absence. Requests Darcy to advance him money if he needs it. Will either repay it or allow it in the rents of Hadilseys, as Darcy pleases. 23 Nov. 24 Hen. VIII.*

Hol., p. 1. *Add.* On the back are memoranda of money advanced to Gawen, signed by Sotehyll, 11 Dec. 24 Hen.VIII. and 28 May 25 Hen.VIII.

53. [DARCY] to WILLIAM LEIGH and others.

R. O. Is surprised to hear that certain of his neighbours of Rothwell, contrary to their submission to him and the decrees under the Duchy and Great Seal, intend to pull down his parks of Rothwellhow, *alias* Rothwellhay.† Desires them to inform him of the truth of this, and that they, with the justices of the peace, his cousins Sir Wm. Gascoyngne, Sir Ric. Tempest, and Sir Robt. Nevell, will take order therein. 12 Dec.

P. 1. *Headed:* Vera copia. *Add.:* William Leigh, Robert Chaloner, and Thomas Gryce, justices of the peace. *Endd.:* The intended business of them of Rothwell.

A.D. 1533. R. O. 54. POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Granted by Sir Haveray‡ Commyng, prior of St. Oswald's, Dan James Qwaytes, prior of St. John the Evangelist of Pountfret, Sir Robt. Nevill, Will. Lee, and 33 others named, tenants of the King in Rodwell, Yorks., to Henry Hunt, Rob. Lucas, and four others, to appear for them in the Duchy Chamber at Westminster, on the 8th day of St. Hilary next, in the suits between lord Darcy and themselves. 16 Jan. 24 Hen. VIII.

A roll of three pieces of paper. Endd.

55. PETER MIRFELD to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Is informed by credible persons that Antony Moore has summoned the parishioners of Roodwell, and "taken their hands" upon it, that if he speed not now at his coming up, all shall be cast open,—that then the wives and children shall go and pull down ditch, hedge, and pale, and Moore and the rest of the parish go to rescue them if any contrary be had. Will inform Darcy's council of this. Ledes, 26 Jan.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* A° 1532.

* The date of year is added by Darcy.

† *See* Vol. VI., 355.

‡ His Christian name is given as Alvered in Dugdale.

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56. INDENTURE, dated—Jan., 24 Hen. VIII.

R. O. By which Philip Wray sells to Thos. lord Darcy for 30*l.*, a messuage called the Rose, with barn, garden, &c., in Shene, otherwise called Richmond, Surrey.

Draft, p 1. On the back is an account, in lord Darcy's hand, of the expense of purchasing Wray's land, and of the bargain at Masse Vilyerd of the Bere Grove nigh to Richmond, including payments to Mr. Pagyngton, Mr. Babthorp, Crisswell, and Mr. Masse.

R. O. 57. General release by Philip Wray to Thos. lord Darcy. 14 Feb., 24 Hen. VIII.

Signed and Sealed. Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 58. Memorandum in lord Darcy's hand of the purchase of Bere Grove nigh Richmond of Masse Vylyerd. 22 Feb., 24 Hen. VIII.

P. 1. *Imperfect.* On the back is a memorandum of same date of payments to Mr. Paggyngton and his clerk.

59. RECEIPT given 6 June, 25 Hen. VIII.

R. O. By Thos. Sotehill to Thos. lord Darcy for 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in full payment of 20 marks (100*s.* having been paid already) for the half year's farm of the lordship of Haddilsey. *Signed.*

P.S. *in Sotehill's hand:* Will be glad to allow his lordship 10*l.* at the next rent day for the gown and linen cloth he has received "and allso odyr charges that my doghteyr tok heyr."

P. 1. *Endd.*

60. SIR GEORGE DARCY to THOS. CRUMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter dated London, 16 June, in favor of Richard Pymont. Has delivered him 10 packs of cloth, but Oswold Grice, who arrested them according to his commission, has come down with power from the Council to "p^{s}ce" (appraise?) and keep them till further orders. Asks Cromwell to remember his discharge for delivering them. Begs remembrance and assures him that he shall have 40*l.* according to a former promise. Tempyll Hirst, 28 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Maister Thomas Crumwell.

R. O. 61. Bond given by Leonard and George Morton of Berwick upon Tweed to lord Darcy relating to a lease of the waters of Tweed belonging to Bamborough. Dated 11 Nov., 25 Henry VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

On parchment, p. 1.

R. O. 62. DARCY to HENRY VIII.

Petition setting forth that he and his sureties are in danger of being outlawed for sums due to the King amounting to about 660*l.*; that the late King (Henry VII.) retained in his possession certain lands which of right ought to have come to Darcy's wife the lady Nevill, as part of the jointure she had of her first husband lord Nevill; that after the said King's death he made suit to his executors, the earl of Surrey, the bps. of Winchester and London, the earl of Worcester, then Lord Chamberlain, and others, at the bishop of Bath's place near London, who declared him entitled to restitution to the amount of 6,600 marks; that he often made suit for it, as the Chief Baron of the Exchequer knows, but was at last answered by the executors that the whole treasures and substance of the late King was delivered out of their hands to the King's use, whereupon the petitioner, "being then captain of your guard," made suit to the King, who commanded Sir Thos. Lovell and others to restore the said jointure and release to the said lady and the petitioner their rights therein; but he was still unable to obtain redress.

Begs the King to consider his old and faithful service to the late King and himself, as well in peace, in the offices of warden of the Marches and captain of Berwick for 30 years, "as above 48 years in both of your Graces' victorious wars sundry times in France, Scotland, and in subduing divers rebellions in sundry parts of this your realm, as into

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Spain and other journeys, to his great costs and charges;" and also "by leaving his said offices of warden of your Marches and captain of Berwick and others [by the sinister and ungoodly policies and means of the late Cardinal, that would have compelled and bound him to be resiaunt there, and to other inconvenients contrary to both your Graces' letters patents granted to your said beseecher; and by reason of his debilities of rupture, &c. that he got in your late wars, that he is not now able to occupy and discharge such rowmthes, and also by the lostes (losses) that he hath and doth sustain]* by the departure of the said lady his wife, his yearly living is minished above 3,000 marks sterling by year. And recompense for leaving of the said offices, as the late Cardinal (whose soul God pardon) faithfully did promise your said beseecher in your Council, he had never none." Desires, in consideration of the premises, his age, debility, and poverty that his debts may be pardoned and his sureties discharged.

Draft, with corrections in Darcy's own hand. Large paper, pp. 5. *Endd.:* "The draught of [my lord Darcy]'s supplication to the King's grace in Michaelmas Term, a° xxv° H. viij."

A.D. 1534. 63. DARCY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. I have, by my son Sir Arthur Darcy, "for whom Almighty God reward your Grace," sent a petition† which I beg you to consider. I have lain here and nigh London since the beginning of Parliament continually to my great cost; for, as Mr. Butts and Mr. Bartlott and many other physicians and surgeons know, I could not, with my infirmities and diseases, go home and return every time of Parliament. In consideration of my age, services, and diseases, "whereof my rupture came in your service," I beg I may have your pardon under your great seal "and of the Order of the Garter" to be absent from your high courts of Parliament, St. George's feasts, commissions, &c., as my said son will show. Both in my said petition and pardons to take my ease in my poor cabins, I trust to have your favour, and if your Grace have business in person I trust yet in my litter to do you service. Credence for his son Sir Arthur Darcy. Mortlake —— day of September 1534.

Pp. 2. *Headed:* Copy. *Add.:* "To my son Sir Arthur Darcy, kt., to see and correct in hast."‡

A.D. 1535. 64. OPINION of MASTER MOUNTEGEW and MASTER KNYGHTLEY, Sergeants, and MR. CONNYNGSBY and MR. PAKYNGTON.

R. O. That "my lord" may take again a state from his feoffees who are seised to the use of his almshouse, and make a state over to other in fee to what use he likes. Trinity term, 27 Hen. VIII. Concluded in Mr. Knyghtley's chamber in Sergeant's Inn, Fleet Street, 15 June, in the presence of Sir John Meltham, Sir Arthur Darcy, and of me, Thos. Palmer.

P. 1. *Endd.*

65. PAYMENTS and RECEIPTS.

R. O. (1.) Fees due to Thos. lord Darcy for half a year as steward and constable of the castles of Pontefract and Knaresborough 22*l.* His half year's annuity, 50*l.* With memorandum of the payment by John Conyngesby, receiver general of the duchy of Lancaster, 20 May, 25 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* per me Joh'em Burgoyn.§

Lat., p. 1. *Endd. by Darcy.*

ii. Similar account paid to John Chaunterell and Ralph Hodfern, lord Darcy's servants, 22 Oct., 27 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me Thomam Burgoyn,§ audit'.

Lat., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

R. O. (2.) Receipt by John Plumsted, deputy of John Conyngesby, receiver general of the duchy of Lanc., of 7*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*, the farm of Roundehay and Rothewelhay, from lord Darcy. 20 May, 25 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

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* These clauses are crossed out. † Vol. VII., No. 1142. ‡ This is crossed out.
§ John and Thomas Burgoyn appear both to have been auditors and their handwritings are remarkably like each other.

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ii. Similar receipt, dated 22 Oct., 27 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

R. O. (3.) Receipt by Sir Robt. Huse from John Chantrell, servant to lord Darcy, of 15*l.* for 20 qrs. wheat, and 40½ qrs. malt. 21 Oct., 27 Hen. VIII. *Signed and Sealed.*

R. O. (4.) Receipt by John Chaunterell and Rauff Hogeson, servants to Sir Thos. Darcy, lord Darcy of 72*l.*, from John Plumsted, for lord Darcy's fees and annuity within the honour of Pountefret and lordship of Knaresburgh, viz. : 7*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* detained in Darcy's hand for the fee farm of Rothewelhey and Roundhey ; 33*s.* 4*d.* given to John Burgoyn, auditor of the Duchy ; 13*s.* 4*d.* to John Conyngesby, receiver of the Duchy ; 13*s.* 4*d.* reward to John Plumsted, and 60*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* in money, 22 Oct., 27 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Plumsted.*

R. O. (5.) Receipts of Thos. Sotehyll of Sotilhall, Yorks, from lord Darcy, viz. :—

1.—21 Dec., 21 Hen. VIII. For 7*l.* lent him at the White Friars, Fleet St.

2, 3, 4.—For rents of Haddilsey, 8 Oct., 22 Hen. VIII., 12 Dec., 23 Hen. VIII., and 1 Dec., 24 Hen. VIII.

5.—14 Nov., 27 Hen. VIII. For 12*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in full payment of 50 marks due to him "with 20*s.* which I the same Thomas Sotehill did will and grant the same lord to pay at Midsummer last unto my daughter Bes at Rychmount."

Signed and Endd.

A.D. 1536. 66. Rental of Rondhey, 25 March, 27 Hen. VIII.

R. O. The new park and other lands of Lawrence Bayns, John West, Robt. Jackson, Wylson's widow.

"The tithes let to Bayns to pay the parson 20*s.* as I do pay yearly."

Total, 80*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*, besides casualties, coals, wood sales, and iron stone sales.

In Lord Darcy's hand, p .1. Endd. by Darcy.

67. Thomas Gryce to Lord Darcy.

R. O. Divers persons have been with me at Knayth desiring to have the two great closes before your manor of Knayth, and the close beside them that the old pounds are in, together with four oxgang land and 13 acres meadow in the South marsh and the common thereto belonging for 20 years at 20 marks gressome. Others would take them at the same money for 40 years, and have the warren of conies included. Have appointed them to be with you on Tuesday next. Other offers for the ferry boat, "wherefor is offered to fine and gressome but 4*l.*" By the view of deer, there are not more than 38 in the park, 11 of them having been received twice in the same view. Has dismissed Sutton and his wife and delivered the keys of the manor to the parson and bailey before John King and Rob. Hall. Has also discharged John Hogeson, who has promised to bring the farm of Torksay soon after Low Sunday. Robt. Fysher and others will be with your Lordship next Tuesday, and when you have driven them to the uttermost I will speak with a countryman of mine called Rauff Beamound, and let you know how much more he will give before Tuesday in Easter week next. Therefore, if you will appoint Thursday in Easter week for your final answer to Fisher and the others, you will then be sure of your best offer. Two men have offered for the office of Torksay, paying yearly 18*l.*, less 20*s.* for their fee. Robt. Fysher will further inform you, and John King will give an account of your woods there and at Horneby and Stirton, &c. Doncaster, 7 April.

I have sent your Lordship's box again with the bearer, and all your writings and obligations, and the indenture that Clark had.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

68. "My Checker Roll rene. . . . . fitted at Michaelmas a°. r. r. H[vi]ij., xxviij."

R. O. T. Strangwaisshe, steward, cum ser., 2 ; Quintance and Sir John, chaplains, 2 ; G. Scott, cum ser., and G. Askew, 3. Gentlemen : G. Nevyll, G. Yorke, S. Pawmes, 2, Wm. Ogilthorp, D. Nevyll, T. Scott, Womwell, 2, Claxton, J. Eure, Thos. Lowthe, clk., R. Medilton, cum ser., 2 : total, 21. Yeomen (named), 13. Two cooks, two pages, baker, &c., 16. Total, 52.

Pp. 2. *Long slip in Darcy's own hand, with various marks opposite their names.*

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69. BILL.

R. O. Descriptive of two packs of white cloth sent from Wakefield by Gilbert Brown to Lord Darcy, a° 28 Hen. VIII.

Total value, 14*l.* 10*s.* There are 186 yards of narrow and 42 yards of broad cloth.

Subscribed in Darcy's hand: This is received and shall be paid for at the coming of Mr. Gryce "afore I depart hence . . . ."

A.D. 1537. 70. PROVISIONS [FOR POMFRET CASTLE?].

R. O. "A memorandum for the bayle (bailiff) as followes the xiijth day of Januarr at Hull 1537." To know what [provisions] "of evere sorttes (*sic*)" is come in, and the prices per ton or barrel, &c. of Gascon wine, Malmseys, white and red herring, &c. A list of the different articles is given, and the prices are written opposite each in another hand, no doubt the bailiff's.

P. 1. *In Darcy's hand, except the prices. Endd.*

UNCERTAIN DATES.

71. DARCY to ———

R. O. It appears by letters patents that I have of my cousins, your grandfather and father, there is above 44*l.* due to me in yearly fees, &c., for which I might have taken distresses ere now, but trust you will see me paid without delay. Give credence to my son Sir George, my steward, and to the bearer. Temple Hurst, 23 Oct.

Draft corrected by Darcy, p. 1. *Begins:* Cousin, in my right hearty manner.

72. MEMORANDA by LORD DARCY.

R. O. Desiring certain articles be inserted in "the commission," viz., how many of all Rothwell parish are indeed the King's tenants; who are the chief freeholders, as the priors of St. Oswald's and Pontfret, Sir Robt. Nevill and Wm. Legh, and what evidence Darcy has that the whole park is his own, &c.

Pp. 2, *the whole of the first page being in Darcy's hand.*

73. THOMAS GRAY to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Has sent by his servant Scymownd Bellengoure, the bearer, "your Martenmesse fare by past," all but 40*s.*, which was paid to John Hall and John Scelle. Has kept his tenants of Bamborough as long as he could, but they have now given it up, as they are of no substance to occupy it longer, unless Darcy will allow them the 3*l.*, in which case Gray will remit to them 20*s.* of his fee. The King has granted Ralph Eldarton a fee of 20 marks and admitted him as his servant. Begs his Lordship to purchase for him a gelding of the prior of St. Oswald's for 5 marks or 5*l.*, and he will repay him at Whitsunday. The bearer will tell him particulars of the horse. "Wretten at the . . . . . ntested" (?), 20 Feb.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

74. LAURENCE HOLYNGWORTH to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Gives an account of his proceedings in relation to Darcy's farms at Torkysay, where Mr. Rauf Medylton has left in great debt. Has made Thomas Throp bailiff. Reports touching the swans and hernsews. Rode to Newark to speak with Mr. Barton. He was in Lancashire, but the father of the house promised he should go to London and conclude with his Lordship and Sir Arthur Darcy, &c. Knayth, 26 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

75. WM. MAUNSELL to LORD DARCY.

R. O. Forwards by bearer such letters as he had to Mr. Darcye.* Has received Darcy's letters touching Galtres. Has sent out the summonses for Darcy's warden court, 13 June

* Probably Sir Arthur Darcy. *See* Vol. XI., 1047.

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next, not doubting, either by commissioners or Darcy's own presence, the day shall hold; whereof no doubt the foresters and keepers have much need. At that day evidence will be given against the offenders. Hontington, 2 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

76. Averey Rawson to Darcy.

R. O. Touching "protections" to be given by Darcy to two merchants and to the writer. Mentions payment to Pexsale of the Chancery for Darcy's warrant of my lord of Westmoreland, and begs favour for Peter Penketh of Berwick. London, 17 Feb.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd by Darcy:* "My quittance of all recognizances betwixt Rawson and me for this bill was served."

77. "For Richard Turnour, Baille at Knaith."

R. O. Instructions to see the barley well malted and conveyed "hither." John Halile, the parson of Knaith, and the bailly of Torkessey are also to see to it. Fuel to be provided "for my new cabin," &c.

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78. View of Pomfret Castle.

R. O. The downgiun (donjon) 19 loops. Betwixt the towers 8 loops. Gatehouse tower 8. 10*. Constable's ward 12. 6*. Queen's tower 9. 5*. King's tower 8. 4* Little turret 4. New tower 10. 17* The next tower 7. 7* The next 7. 4*. Piper's tower 5. Betwixt the piper's tower and donjon 4 loops. Total 156 loops.

P. 1. *Endd. by Darcy:* Loops, &c., in Pomfret Castle viewed.

R. O. 79. Scrap of paper addressed to Lord Darcy.

R. O. 80. List of ecclesiastical plate and vestments, partly in Lord Darcy's hand.

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R. O. 81. Memoranda about the hall, dove-cot, and fishgarth of some manor. John Fethwilliam's farmhold, and Mr. Gryce's fee are mentioned.

P. 1. *Qu. in Darcy's early hand?*

R. O. 82. Note in Darcy's hand of money paid to Mr. Roo, Sir Arthur Darcy, and Mr. Suttell (the latter a loan made 16 Dec. to be repaid out of the Easter farm of Hadilsays).

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187. Hussey Papers.

R. O. Memorandum of four obligations of Sir John Husy, late of Slefford, Linc., dated 20 Aug. 1 Hen. VIII., to Sir Thos. Lovell and Sir Thos. Ingleffelde, to the King's use, for 100 mks.

P. 1. *Endd.:* Four obligations of Sir J. Huses.

2. The Warden of Ware to Lord Hussey.

R. O. Commendations to him and to my lady. "I have moved the matter to my lord of Waltam that he should be good to Hony Lane, and he said that if you will put 30*l.* to the reparations of it he will make all the rest, though it cost him 100*l.* to make it perfect." Where I promised you a fair bible, you shall have it. I thought some of your servants should have been with me ere now. After Easter I will deliver it to Percival your servant.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "In Plumsteyd of Kent."

* These are "betwixt the towers."

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R. O. 3. Will of Sir John Huse, lord Huse, 22 Oct. 1535, 27 Hen. VIII. Mentioning his wife lady Anne Huse, his sons Sir William, Thomas, Gilbert, and Sir Giles Huse, and his brothers Sir William and Sir Robert Huse.

Large paper, pp. 10. *Endd.*

4. RENT BOOKS AND RECEIVERS' AND BAILIFFS' ACCOUNTS.

R. O. For the manors of lord Hussey, together with accounts of private expenses, from 1529 to 28 Henry VIII. Names of manors, &c.:—Brampton, Braunston, Parva Bithame, Hamby, Castylbithame, Boston, Saperton, Woomandhame, Beeston in co. Notts., Wodhed cum Brygeaston, Folkyngham park, New and Old Lafford, Morton and Repyngale, Knesall, Blankney, Whissunden, Lobthorppe, West Willoughby, Holywell and Stratton, Barton Husy, Whaplodhall in Byker, Old Slefford, Nawnby, Yngoldesby, Byker called Beoment Rents, Chylwell, Pykworthe and Aunby, Graunthame, Gunwardby, Corby, Aldynghame, lands of Thomas Wymbisshe and Richard Paynell, Welby and Naunby, Wyssenden and Morehalle.

A bound book of 258 *large folio and quarto pages.*

R. O. 5. Accounts of the farm stock at Old Sleaford from 22 to 28 Hen. VIII.

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ii. Part of a rental of Branston and Sapperton. *Signed by* Richard Pollard.

P. 1. *Endd.:* The lordship of Braunston.

6. RENTAL of LANDS of HUSSEY and LORD BOROUGH.

R. O. i. "The manors, lands, and tenements of the lord Husseys in Lincolnshire." Valor of Woodhed, Brigeasterton, Pykeworth, Corby, Gunwardby, Blankeney, Braunston in Bosco, Burton Husse, Knights Hall, sometime the duke of Buckingham's, Aunby, Graunthan, Old Slefford, West Welowby, Sapton, Boston, and Whaplod Hall in Holand, Total, 265*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* "Also he hath Holywell, Bytham Park, Little Bytham, and Stratton, which he had in exchange of the King for a lordship in Essex, and the true value of them I cannot know as yet." Farms that he hath by lease:—Marom and Maid[s]house, belonging to Semp[ring]ham, very good farms upon the [Heythe]; Hamby Grange; and Ling grange on the Heythe belonging to Haverholme.

"It may please your Lordship to obtain the site of the monastery of Berlings, with as much demesne lands as ye can."

ii. Manors of lord Burghe's in cos. Surr., Suss., and Kent.

Oxted, Westcliff, and Alington Cobham in jointure to lady Latimer; Northey and Southey, Shelfcobham [and?] Burdvile in jointure to young lady Burgh; Sterburgh Castle, Sherdermarshe, Cokesden, and Iltesbery in jointure to the same after lord Burgh's death; Newgare, Denehill, Chedynstone, and Tyherst entailed to young Sir Thomas Burgh. Total, 238*l.*

Pp. 3. *Mutilated.*

7. DRAFT PATENT.

R. O. Of the bargain and sale of the manor of Brampton, Hunts, forfeited by attainder of John lord Hussey, to Ric. Williams, *alias* Cromwell, with profits from Lady Day last.

Memorandum at the end.—That it be well seen that the office found after lord Hussey's death be good. That if there be in Brampton any lands and tenements, which be not parcels of the said manor, the general words above written will not serve against the King. And then also an office must be found of those parcels before any gift made of them.

Large paper, pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

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8. MEMORANDUM.

R. O. Of [an application for] the farm of Hamby Grange which the lord Huse held, for certain years yet to come, of the monastery de Valle Dei, Linc,, now suppressed. "To have the residue of the said years yet to come."

Small paper, p. 1. *Endd. in the same hand:* Thomas Thacker.

188. BIGOD PAPER.

R. O. Rental of the manor of Settrington, Yorks, giving the names of the tenants, one of whom, Thos. Donyngton, holds by patent 26 May 27 Hen. VIII. The names of the late Sir John Bulmer, my lord of Cumberland and Sir Geo. Conyers are incidentally mentioned. There is an almshouse of the lord's foundation on the south side of the parish church of Setrington. The lord is patron of Setryngton church, in which there are two chantries and a chapel of St. John the Baptist. All royalties, &c. in Skagelthorp also belong to the lord.

Roger Middelwood is bailiff by patent of 20 May 20 Hen. VIII.

Some of the tenants are bound to supply "day workes," *e.g.*, three sickles, a plough, and a wain, in return for 15 loaves of bread, 30 herrings, 1 lb. of cheese, and 1*d.*

Imperfect and corrected, pp. 8.

189. BULMER PAPER.

R. O. ANNE BULMERE to SIR JOHN BULMERE.

Your servant Blenkkynsope informed you I had moved my husband to meet with you at Derntton or Allerton. The truth is, Harry Wykcleffe, my brother, and John Hortton agreed with Blenkkynsope in London to do their best to make my husband and you friends. Harry and John broke it to my lady prioress of Marryge and me, and we thought good I should write to my cousin Sir Oswald Wylstrope to break it to my husband, but as Blenkynsope did not know whether you and Sir Oswald were agreed, my brother Richard Bowys has agreed to be the mean, I received your letters on Good Friday last to my husband and to myself, and perceive you are informed my husband will meet [you] at Allerton on Tuesday next.

Has not delivered the letter to her husband, lest he should perceive it came through her. Sent to Dawdyn to Richard Bowys, who has, as of himself, got her husband to agree to meet at Allerton on Tuesday in Easter week. Begs him to come to this meeting and to bring a friend, who may settle the matter with Bowys before he and her husband meet, lest they should "fall forth," as they are both something hasty. Marryge, Easter day.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add:* Brother.

190. LANDS OF THE REBELS.

R O. Part of a survey of lands in Linc. accrued to the King through the attainder of persons concerned in the rebellion, with notes of grants made of them in 36 & 37 Hen. VIII. The lands are of the abbeys of Barlings and Kirkstead, of lord Hussey, Jervaux abbey, [Bridli]ngton, lord Darcy, Constable, [Bu]lmer, and Bygod.

Fragment. Pp. 16, *mutilated.*

R. O. 2. Accounts of the lands of lords Darcy and Hussey, George Lumley, Sir John Bulmer, Sir Thomas Percy, Sir Stephen Hamerton, Sir Rob. Constable, Sir Francis Bigod, and Thomas Moyne will be found in the vols. marked Augmentation Books, Nos. 282, 285–86, and 288.

191. GRANTS in JUNE 1537.

June. GRANTS.

1. Ric. Johnson, gunner. To be a gunner in the Tower of London, with 6*d.* a day. Greenwich, 28 April 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

2. Anne George *alias* Parrott, of London, spinster. Pardon, she being now a prisoner in Newgate, for having, 2 Feb. 26 Hen. VIII., at London in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East in Tower Ward, broken and entered the dwelling house of Ric. Rede, mariner, and stolen certain articles of apparel, &c. *Del.* Westm., 1 June, 29

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Grants.

Hen. VIII. — S.B. Patent for the same inrolled in the 30th year (*p.* 8, *m.* 5).

3. Will. Jenyns. To be keeper and porter of the books, rolls, and other memoranda in the receipt of Exchequer, in as full manner as John Frebody or Will. Gilbert held the same office. Hampton Court, 22 May, 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

4. Lancelot Alforde, groom of the Wardrobe of Beds. Grant of the corrody in the monastery of Pasher (Pershore), Worc., void by the death of Will. Rigley. Hampton Court, 24 May 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 June.—P.S.

5. Nic. Wylson, S. T. P., the King's chaplain. Presentation to the deanery in the collegiate church of Winbourn Minster, Salisbury dioc., void by the forfeiture of Reginald Pole, last incubment. Hampton Court, 7 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 35.

6. Sir Will. Godolghan and John Godolghan, jun. Grant in survivorship of the offices of steward and surveyor of the possessions of Eleanor late duchess of Somerset, now called "Copercyoners landys," and of the King's lands in Alwerton, Pensans, and Tywarnayle, Cornw., in as full manner as Sir Rob. Suthwell, Sir Will. Compton, or John Tregyan held the said offices. *Del.* Westm., 8 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 35.

7. Will. Moraunt, gentleman *pro ore* of the Queen Consort Jane in the office of the King's Cellar. Lease of the site and demesne lands of the manor of Apulrugge, in the parish of Berkeley, Glouc., late in the tenure of Thos. Butler; with reservations, for 21 years, at 3*l.* 12*d.* rent, and 12*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 8 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 20.

8. John Arundell, s. and h. apparent of Sir John Arundell, of Lanherne. To be constable and keeper of Tintagell Castle, Cornw., parcel of the duchy of Cornwall; and a meadow called Halmer in the lordship of Tintagell, with the profits thereof. Hampton Court, 9 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 29.

There is also a S.B. (Exch. Ser.) for the preceding, granting likewise the office of steward and surveyor of the lands late of Eleanor duchess of Somerset, now called Copercioners londes and specifically the lordships of Alwerton, Pensans, and Tywernayle in Cornwall, of which it was found that Sir Will. Godolghan had already obtained a grant. The patent was accordingly limited by order of the Council, 9 June 29 Hen. VIII., as notified by Wriothesley on the dorse of the S.B.

9. Geoff. Jenyns *or* Jenyn of Brendwood, Essex, *alias* of Stapellforde Abbott, Essex, yeoman. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 10 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 18.

10. Augustinian priory of Holy Trinity, Repyngdon, Cov. and Lich. dioc. Exemption from suppression; John Young to be prior. *Del.* Westm., 12 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 28.

11. Sir John Gage. Licence to alienate the manor of Helyngly, Essex, to Thos. Devenysshe of Helyngly, and Will. Devenysshe, s. and h. apparent of the said Thomas. Westm., 12 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 25.

12. Thos. Sparke, S. T. B., a monk of Durham. Appointment as bishop of Berwick, suffragan of the see of Durham in the province of York; the said Thomas having been nominated along with Ric. Welden, S. T. B., likewise a monk of Durham, by Cuthbert bp. of Durham. Hampton Court, 11 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3. *Rymer* XIV., 582.

13. Ninionus Menvell *alias* Menvyld *or* Maynvyld, of Sledewisshe *alias* of Barnacastell, in the bishopric of Durham, bro. and h. of Anth. Menvell *alias* Maynvyld, s. and h. of Ralph Menvell, deceased. General pardon. *Del.* Westm., 12 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 11.

14. Lewis Thomas, late abbot of Kymmer. To be suffragan bishop of Shrewsbury in the see of St. Asaph and province of Canterbury, the said Lewis having been nominated along with John Godfrey late prior of Penmone, by Robert bp. of St. Asaph. *Del.* Westm., 13 June, 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

15. Hen. Clayton of Whitley in the township of Nethershytlington, Yorks., W. R., husbandman. Pardon for the murder and robbery of Ralph Bedforth, at Myddelston, Yorks., W. R. Hampton Court, 11 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 13.

16. Master Thos. Raynold, S. T. P. Presentation to the parish church of Cheryton Fitzpayn, Exeter dioc., void by death and in the King's gift by reason of the minority of Hen. Kelly, s. and h. of Will. Kelly, deceased. *Del.* Westm., 13 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 17.

17. John Acres. To be clerk of the peace and of the crown in co. Suffolk. Hampton Court, 11 May 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 9.

18. Edm. Harman, a groom of the Privy Chamber. To be keeper of the manor of Leving *alias* Perlaune, Bucks, in the King's hands by the attainder of Hen. Norres; and also keeper of the garden, orchard, and park of Perlaune. Hampton Court, 12 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 June.—P.S. Enrolled in 31st year (*Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 32).

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19. John Byrde, S. T. P., provincial of the order of Friars Carmelites of the city of London. To be suffragan bishop of Penreth in the province of Canterbury; the said John having been nominated along with Hugh Burneby, priest regular, by Robert bp. of Llandaff. Hampton Court, 11 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 39. *Rym.* XIV., 582.

20. William Ap Robert Ap Meredith, esquire of the Royal Body. To be steward of the commote of Meney, Anglesea, N. Wales, with an annuity or annual rent of 100*s.*; on surrender of pat. 13 April 21 Hen. VIII. granting the same to Peter Matton, a yeoman usher of the Chamber. Hampton Court, 11 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., ...*—P.S. *Pat.* 15 June, 29 *Hen. VIII., p.* 5, *m.* 24.

21. Walter Stryklond. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Sir Walter Stryklond, deceased. *Del.* Westm., 16 June, 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 27.

22. Thos. Duncalfe. Annuity of 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, from lands in Parre Latholme, Lanc., late of John Parre, deceased, who held of Thomas earl of Derby during the minority of Grace Parre, d. and h. of the said John; with the wardship and marriage of the said Grace; which came to the King by the minority of Edward earl of Derby, son and heir of the said Thomas. *Del.* Westm., 16 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 39.

23. Paul Fa, a native of Egypt in parts beyond sea, gentleman. Pardon for the murder of an Egyptian called Sacole Femine ('cujusdam Egipciani voc' Sacole Femine') within this realm. Hampton Court, 16 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 June.—P.S.

24. Paul Fa, "nat."† and his wandering associates called Egyptians. License to leave the realm, and injunction to do so within 15 days under pain of imprisonment on a capital charge for certain offences committed by them. Hampton Court, 16 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 June.—P.S.

25. "George earl of Salop" (Shrewsbury). Licence to appoint at his discretion at all times hereafter Will. Bryswoode and Arthur Nasshe, his servants, to carry and use crossbows to shoot at all manner of marks, deer, game, and fowl, except deer in the royal forests not in the custody of the said earl. *Del.* Westm., 18 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat.* (*dated* 18 *July*) *p.* 4, *m.* 10. *In English.*

26. Rob. Ap Reynolds, a lancer of Calais. Grant of the house or tenement called Mountneys House, in the parish of St. Nicholas near le Tylt, Calais. Hampton Court, 17 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 39.

27. Thos. Skye of Brenton, Norf., yeoman. Pardon, for having, along with John Whyte of Claye, Norf., mariner, and others (they being piratically assembled in a ship called the Mary Walsingham at le Flambrughed in Sunderlande) attacked a vessel called the Mary James, of one Patrick Gardener, and plundered it of two lasts or 24 barrels of salmon, the property of one John Cheisolme, great customer of the kingdom of Scotland, in time of peace and amity between the king of England and king James of Scotland; for which the said Thomas, John, and others were indicted before Sir Will. Fitzwilliam, K. G., High Admiral and other justices in the Guildhall at London. Hampton Court, 8 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

28. James Morice, and Ralph Morice, sen., his son. Grant in survivorship of the offices of bailiffs of the manors or lordships of Tyburst and Kendale in the parish of Aldenham and Ildestre, Herts; bailiff of the lordship or manor of Queen's Camell, Somers., and keeper of the park of Camell; with fees of 40*s.* a year for the said office in Tyburst and Kendale, and 4*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* for the said offices in Queen's Camell; with the herbage and pannage of the said park; on surrender of pat. 1 Aug., 1 Hen. VIII., granting the same to the said James Morice alone. *Del.* Westm., 18 June 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 30.

29. Will. Bothe, clk., M.A. Presentation to the perpetual chantry at the altar of St. John Baptist in the chapel next the parish church of Aldermary on the Charnell there in the deanery of the Arches in London, and of the immediate jurisdiction of Christchurch, Canterbury, *vice* John Reder, clk., resigned. *Del.* Westm., 18 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 34.

30. *Gloucestershire.*—Sir Edw. Wadham, Ric. Rede, Ric. Tracy, Ralph Norwood, and Ric. Brayne. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Thos. lord Berkley. Westm., 18 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

31. Thos. Sheres or Sherys, of London, labourer, *alias* of Southwerk, waterman. Pardon for having, 1 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII., stolen a horse of Thos. Jacson, maltman, at High Downes in the parish of Cheping Barnett, Midd., and 22 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII. a mare and colt of Rob. Tables at Fyncheley, Midd. *Del.* Westm., 19 June 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 11.

32. John Fletewoode. To be usher of the change and money in the Tower of London, with the houses there called the "Martin Towre," near the said Tower of London, with the usual fees, as enjoyed by John Greneacres, Ralph Jenet, and John Pate. On surrender of patent 28 June

* Date of delivery illegible.

† "licenciam damus Paulo Fa nat. ac universis et singulis e sua cohorti erronum quos Egiptiacos appellant."

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27 Hen. VIII. granting the same to David Vincent, keeper of the King's Wardrobe in the manor of Grenewich. Hampton Court, 27 May 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 June.—P.S. *Patent for the same inrolled in the 30th year* (*p.* 2, *m.* 1).

33. Ralph Colynson of Twyng, York, laborer. Pardon for having killed Chr. Louther in self-defence, as appears by the record of Sir John Spelman, and Chr. Jenney, serjeant-at-law, and their associates, justices of gaol-delivery for York Castle. Westm., 20 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 39.

34. John Pikeryng of Lythe, Yorks., *alias* of Coverdale in co. Richmond, clk., *alias* of Tokett, Yorks. General pardon. *Del.* Westm., 21 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 12.

35. Roger Lyggon. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in co. Heref. Hampton Court, 21 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

36. Rob. earl of Sussex. Reversion of the office of steward of the King's Household, now held by Geo. earl of Shrewsbury. *Del.* Westm., 23 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 11.

37. Thos. Haull or Hall, clk. Presentation to the rectory of Trent, Bath and Wells dioc., *vice* Hen. Stephyns, resigned, at the King's disposal by reason of the suppression of the monastery of Studley, Warw. Hampton Court, 1 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 34.

38. Thos. Parry. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in co. Glouc. Hampton Court, 18 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 36.

39. Thos. Havard. Annuity of 7*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*, issuing from lands in West Hyde and Stoke Edyth, Heref., late the property of John Monyngton, deceased, during the minority of Joan Monyngton, d. and h. of the said John; with the wardship and marriage of the said Joan. *Del.* Westm., 23 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 39.

40. Sir Ric. Ryche, chancellor of the court of Augmentation. Grant in fee, as follows:—

i. Of the reversions and rents reserved on the following leases, viz.:—

(1.) By the late prior and convent of Leighes, Essex, 29 Jan. 7 Hen. VIII., to Sir Hen. Bowser earl of Essex, of the manor called Gladfen Hall, Essex; for 96 years; at 6*l.* rent. (2.) By Thos. Ellys, the late prior, and the convent aforesaid, 26 May 24 Hen. VIII., to Will. Harrys, of Mondon, Essex, of a messuage and 40 acres of marsh in Fowlnes, Essex, called "Newmershe," with all their marshes near Redenhoke, and the marshes called "Clementis mershe" in Fowlneys, with all houses therein; for 80 years, at 20*l.* rent.; which lease was confirmed 10 June 28 Hen. VIII. by the Court of Augmentations.

ii. Of the manors of Slamesey *alias* Slamondesey or Slampsey, Oldhall and Brenthall, Essex, a water-mill in Boreham, Essex; the rectories and advowsons of the vicarages of Matching and Parva Lighes, Essex, with all other messuages, lands, &c. in the vills, fields, &c. of Slampsey, Alba Notley, Nigra Notley, Fayrwode, Felsted, Magna Donemowe, Parva Donemowe, Branktre, Boreham, Hatfield Peverell, Springfeld, Magna Waltham, Parva Waltham, Magna Lighes, Parva Lighes, Matchyng, Stansted, Halsted, Fowlneys, Terling, Raynes Parva, Stysted, Farested, Pleshey, Schellowe, Gosfeld, Bokkyng, Cokkyshall, Bromeley, Wodham Parva, Ulting, Sandon, Downham, Fobbyng, Bowres, Bradwell near Coggeshall, Revenhall, Witham, Hedingham Sible, Yeldham Magna, Yeldham Parva, and Byrche Magna, Essex, belonging to the said manors &c., and all other possessions in Essex of the said late priory. *Del.* Westm., 25 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2 *m.* 38.

41. Rob. Ayscughe. Annuity of 4*l.* 9*s* from lands in Horsyngton, Hemyngbye, Tatheley, and Bucknall, Linc., late of John Besbye, deceased, during the minority of John Besbye, kinsman and heir of the said John; with the wardship and marriage of the said heir. *Del.* Westm., 25 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 18.

42. John Moyne *alias* Prowde, of London, Reginald Hodde of the Isle of Wight, Thos. Hunte of Chelmesford, Essex, and Thos. Collwyll of Fynnynley, Notts, mariners. Pardon for having, 13 July 28 Hen VIII. (they being assembled in a ship called the Mary Wallsyngham at the Flambrughed in Sunderland) attacked a vessel called the Mary James, of one Patrick Gardener, and plundered it of two lasts or 24 barrels of salmon, the property of one John Cheisolme, great customer of Scotland, in time of peace and amity between the kings of England and Scotland. *Del.*, Westm., 25 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. (*Endd.*: "Exped' apud Hampton Court, xxviij die Maii anno r. r. Henrici Octavi xxix. Per Godsalve." *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

43. Roland Riggeley groom of the wardrobe of Beds. To be bailiff of the lordship of Yardeley, Worc., *vice* Will. Riggeley deceased. Hampton Court, 7 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 39.

44. Commissions to make inquisitions p.m.

Lincolnshire. To Ric. Flowre, Ric. Ogle and Rob. Walpole, on the lands and heir of John Crayford. Westm., 25 June.

Lincolnshire. To the same, on the lands and heir of Edw. Biwysterne *alias* Brigges. Westm., 25 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

45. Sir Thos. Wentworth. To be keeper, governor, or captain general, of the city

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and castle of Carlisle, with the appointment of 23 soldiers in the castle, of whom 20 shall be horsemen and three bearers of the keys of the city; with fees of 100 marks a year for himself, 10 marks a year for each of the horsemen, and 26*s.* 8*d.* for each of the said key bearers at the three gates of the city: the said fees to be payable by the receivers, farmers, or other officers of the manors, lordships or lands of Penreth, Skalkeld, Scotbye, Sowrebie, Langwhatbie, and Gamlesby, Cumb. *Del.* Westm., 26 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 31.

46. Sir Nic. Carewe, K.G. Reversion of the office of captain, keeper, and governor of the isle of Gernesey and castle of Cornett, and of the other islands and places in those parts, viz.:—Alreney, Serke, Erme and Sothowe, and all castles and fortresses in said islands and places; which office is now held by Sir Ric. Weston, having been granted in survivorship by pat. 5 Nov. 25 Hen. VIII. to him and Sir Francis Weston, now attained and executed. *Del.* Westm., 25(?) June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. (Endd. as expedited at Greenwich 28 April 29 Hen. VIII.). *Pat.* (26 June) *p.* 2, *m.* 37.

47. Hugh Whitewode, of Shirborne, Dorset, tailor. Pardon for having, 16 Dec. 27 Hen. VIII., along with Hen. Nede, of Shirborne, tailor, broken into the close and house of Thos. Roberdes, at Mynterne, Dorset, assaulted Alice, wife of the said Thomas, and Thos. Golde, and Margaret Goky, and stolen some articles of jewellery, dress, &c. *Del.* Westm. 26 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 36.

48. James Joskyn. To be clerk of the peace and of the crown in cos. Northt. and Leic. *Del.* Westm., 26 June 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 7.

49. *Yorkshire.* Anth. Hamond and Edw. Barston. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of John Blancheard. Westm., 27 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

50. Commissions to make inquisitions p. m.

Derbyshire. To Sir Godfrey Foljambe, Sir Nic. Stirley and John Leeke, on the lands and heir of Ralph Fraunces. Westm., 28 June.

Salop and the Marches of Wales. To Sir Ric. Manwaryng, John Dodd, Ric. Moreton, and Edw. Lodge, on the lands and heir of Thos. Scriven. Westm., 28 June. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

51. Sir Thomas Wharton. To be deputy-warden of the West-marches "foranempst Scotland," and have the appointment of four commissioners to assist him; with fees of 200 mks. a year and 20*l.* a year for each of the said commissioners. *Del.* Westm., 28 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

52. Will. Arden. Lease of the site of the manor of Yaresthorp in the lordship of Sheryfhótton or Sherefhetton, Yorks., with reservations; for 21 years from Mich. A.D. 1539, on the expiration of a 21 years' lease granted to Ric. Balke by pat. 19 Jan. 10 Hen. VIII.; at the annual rent of 21*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Del.* Westm. 28 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 33.

53. Sir Humph. Wingfelde. Grant, in tail mail, of the manors of Netherhall and Overhall in Dedham, Essex, and all lands, &c. in Dedham belonging to the suppressed nunnery of Campsie, Suff. in as full manner as Ela Butery, the late prioress held the same in right of the said nunnery. Also of the manor of Creppinghall in Stutton, Suff., and all lands there, belonging to the late priory of St. Mary and St. John the Evangelist in Colnecomitis, Essex, parcels of the said manor of Crepinghall, in as full manner as Robt. Abel, the late prior, held the same. Annual value, 55*l.*, rent, 15*l.* *Del.* Westm., 29 June 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 43.

54. Adrian Dogan. Grant of a tenement in the parish of Pytham in co. Guysnes, Marches of Calais, and all other lands, &c. in said co. which Adrian Lynett, an alien, acquired without licence. Hampton Court, 18 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 36.

55. Master Will. Chamberleyn, rector of the parish church of St. Mary, Calais. Licence of non-residence. Hampton Court, 28 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 39.

56. Margery verz Richard, of Byrley, Marches of Wales, widow. Pardon for having abetted and entertained John Ap Hoell *alias* Ap Hullyn, of Byrley, who, 26 Sept. 27 Hen. VIII., along with Thos. Frysour, of Michelcherche, Marches of Wales, fuller, broke into Whitney church, in the lordship of Whitney, Marches of Wales, and stole a chalice. *Del.* Westm. 30 June 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

57. Thos. Sydenham and Joan, his wife. Livery of lands, the said Joan being sister and heir of John Speyke, *i.e.*, daughter of Thos. Speyke, father of the said John and kinsman and heir of Will. Speyke, viz.:—daughter of the said Thomas, son of the said William; and to Thos. Stevyns and John FitzJames, seized to the use of the said Joan; viz., of the manor of Tangeley, Hants., and all manors, burgages, &c. in the vills and hamlets of Tangeley, Neyton *alias* Neyton Keynez, in the Isle of Wight, Chaffecombe, Chillyngton and Kyngeston, Somers, and elsewhere in England and Wales, late of the said John and Will. Speyke. *Del.* Westm. . . . . * June 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat.* (30 June) *p.* 3, *m.* 10.

58. *Worcestershire.* John Ketilby, Will. Gower, Ric. Abingdon, and Thos. Wikes. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Thos. Hayes. Westm., 30 June.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

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192. Remembrances.

R. O. For Guillam Shirlonde. For Mr. Gostyke's warrants. For poor Bettes, of Southampton. For the wives and children of them that be attainted, and for their debts. For knowledge of the King's pleasure in the points to be treated of with the ambassadors. For the ordering of the West Marches, with the letters to the pensioners of the East and Middle Marches. For Clarenceaulx touching the visitation. For Sir John Dudley. For my lord Lisle. For Wm. Lock. For money for Haule and Wingfeld. For Bouth touching the chantry. For the town of Lynne. For the matters of Ireland. For the despatch of the commissioner that shall go northward with the pardon. Touching Sir Ric. Tempest. For them of St. John's. For Sir Arthur Darcy, and of his counsel for the stud to be had at Gervaulx. Touching Sir William Godolghan. Touching Pole. For letters to be written for Bernardus de Mela to the king of Denmark. The Emperor's army in Flanders is 8,000 horses, 18,000 lanceknights, 5,000 "Henniers," besides all other of the Low Countries, 44 or 46 great pieces of artillery. Item, the prodigious sight at Besanzon, 9 nights. Pikering the priest's pardon. For Colyns bailiff of Kendall.

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* The mayor of Dover touching the fre (friar ?) and the iij shippe leding (lading) in the pere. *And in another place;* Cave ad enter.*

193. A List of Names, viz.:—

R. O. Thos. Clifford k., Thos. Tempest k., Wm. Hulton k., Wm. Heron, Thos. Wharton k., John Heron of Chepches, Cuthbert Ratclif k., Wm. Ogle k., Roger Lassells, Robert Bowes, Lionel Grey, Robt. Menell, John Bedenell, Robt. Colingwod, lord of Westmoreland, lord of Cumberland, Edw. Musgrave k., Ric. Redmayn k., Thos. Musgrave k., bp. of York, the earl of Northumberland.

P. 1, *small slip. Add.:* Sir Wm. Paulett, Comptroller of the Household.

194. Katharine Bygod to the Bishop of Worcester.

R. O. Thanks him for his intercession with the King for her feoffment, and begs him to continue his efforts for her and her children. Multgrave. *Signed:* Katheryne Bygod v. (*qu.* vidua ?).

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

195. Cattle Stealing in Somersetshire.

R. O. The saying of Richard Applin and John Haysham. That John and Harry Harris, with others to the number of 8 persons, took the said John Haisham in Christmas time and bound him, with a bowstring tied about his head, led him to Richard Applin's house, and made him call the said Richard Applin out of bed to make good cheer, and, as soon as he opened the door, entered and robbed the house. And the said Richard and John be in such fear of their adherents that they dare not complain.

Thomas Yere the elder, and Thos. Yere the younger, say that John Harris, with others to the number of 8, came to the house of the said Thomas the elder, 19 Dec. 24 Hen. VIII. and robbed him of plate and money, whereof he was indicted and outlawed.

Davy Heithe and John Gulloke say that about 10 March 28 Hen. VIII. John Harris brought them 2 mares, of which one was Edmond Lusch's of Melberye Abbas, and the other John Stell's of Fountemell, which were re-delivered to the owners, and the said Harris indicted for stealing them.

John Francis of Shafton said that Harris and his 3 brothers have brought divers mares out of Blakemore to Wikham's house by Shafton and made exchange with Davy Hethe and John Gulloke, upon whose confession divers

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mares that have been stolen in Blakemore have been found at Kensham, and others stolen at Kensham have been found in Blakemore, sold by John Harris and his 3 brothers, for which Davy Hethe and John Gulloke be arraigned in Somersetshire, and Harris and his brethren indicted in Dorset. Also that John Gulloke upon Midsummer Eve 28 Henry VIII. caused his servant Coper to fett 2 kine at Farnbury, and drove them to Shafton, where he sold them to John Harris.

Richard Applin of Heberton also sold sheep to John Harris in 24 Henry VIII.; after which he was followed by Harris, who cast his cloak over his head, took the money, and threw him to the ground. The said Applin then went to Robert Harris' house, father to John, and said he was robbed. On which John Harris followed him and said he was robbed also, and the father and his sons ran up the hill and made sport of him.

Henry lord Daubeney, 6 June last, confessed in the presence of Sir Giles Strangwais, Henry Strangwais, and Wm. Thornhull, that the week before Pentecost last, George Grenway, dwelling within 3 miles of the abbey of Forde, sued to the said lord to take John Harris to his service, saying he was within 20 miles of Perott and would come to his Lordship if he would be good lord to him. "Wherefore it may please your Lordship to write your letters commanding the said George to attach the said Harris."

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

196. Francis Brown of Stamford.

R. O. Petition to Sir Thos. Crumwell, knt., lord Crumwell, Chief Secretary, and lord Privy Seal, of Ant. Brown, son and heir-apparent of Francis Brown of Staunford, Linc., esquire, in behalf of his father, who has been in prison since Pentecost last, on the accusation of Wm. Waltham, Wm. Allet, and Wm. Brownyng of Little Casterton, and Thos. Russhton of Ryall, co. Rutl., for treasonous speaking during the late rebellion in Lincolnshire. At petitioner's suit Cromwell commissioned Mr. Nowell,* sheriff of Rutland, John Harryngton, and Henry Digby, to examine the case. Begs Cromwell to inquire of Digby, who is now in London, the result of their examination so that Fras. Brown, if not culpable, may be dismissed.

P. 1. *Add. at the head.*

197. Francis Cave and Hen. Polsted to [Cromwell].

R. O. The bearer, Lionel Carnabye, has urged them to ask Cromwell to take him into his service. He is wise, gentle, and honest, and in all our business has opened many things to our light, for he was near the late earl† and privy to most of his doings. The Rolls, Wednesday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* to my Lord my master. *Endd.*

1 July. **198.** Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Commend me to the Deputy. I have had news from Madame de Riou, and if you wish to send to her or to your daughter,‡ who is with Madame de Bours, I have at present a sure messenger by whom I can promise you an answer. But he would like to leave Dunkirk on Thursday next; so please send your pleasure by bearer. I wish to hear of your health. Dunkirk, 1 July.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

* Andrew Nowell was sheriff of Rutland (as appears by the Pipe roll of the year) from Mich. 28 Hen. VIII. to the following Michaelmas. His name as given on the sheriff roll is Andrew Newelme. *See* Vol. XI. No. 1217(23), where the asterisk has been wrongly attached to the name of Th. Sherard.

† The earl of Northumberland.

‡ Mary Basset.

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2–9 July. **199.** Monasteries exempted from Suppression.

See Grants in July, Nos. 2, 10, 11, 12, 23, 26.

*[2 July ?] **200.** Lord Chancellor Audeley to Cromwell.

R. O. Hearing that the King removes to-morrow, asks him to obtain licence for him to go to his house in the country. Will always return upon Cromwell's advertisement of the King's pleasure. Reminds him of his suit to the King, and remits the considerations in his previous letter to his wisdom. Will never trouble the King with more suits for himself. Monday morning.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed.*

2 July. **201.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Came this night from Court, hoping to have got rid of his long suit. Spoke so plainly to my lord Privy Seal that he told me he was sure you did not mistrust the matter so much as I did, and that I should undoubtedly be rid at the next signing. At dinner I set Mr. Russell at him and he said that you should undoubtedly be no loser. I see no remedy except to wait, though I am sorry to see so many delays. I will not leave him till I am despatched. The earl of Northumberland is dead and little monied. Lord Darcy suffered on Saturday last. Dr. Alderyge is bp. elect of Carlisle. London, 2 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

3 July. **202.** [Sir] Edmund Tame to Cromwell.

R. O. There is in these parts a little religious house called Polton, of St. Gilbert's order, a cell to the house of Sempringham, "and, as it is thought in these parts, by waste that they do, they think not to continue." Desires letters in his favour to the master of that religion, the bp. of Llandaff, for the farm of the same. 3 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

3 July. **203.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

Calig. B. vii. 224. B. M. Received yesternight his letter of the 28 June and a packet under the King's Seal. Has appointed all therein named of the West Marches to be with him at York, Friday se'nnight, when Aske is to suffer. Before his execution an exhortation to be given. Will take care to satisfy the King. Thinks the order for the West March better for that than for the other two; but must refer to the last article in Cromwell's letter concerning the earls of Westmoreland, Cumberland, and lord Darcy. The Border west of Carlisle is hard for the Scots to enter except by boats, and when the water is out there is such a wash as between Norfolk and Lincolnshire. The lord Dacre's barony of Burghe joins the Scots and the abbey of Holme to the West, and west of all are the King's lordships, formerly the earl of Northumberland's. Five miles from Carlisle the bp. has a strong little castle called the Rose, and there are other buildings of the late lord Dacre thereabouts. Four miles beyond Carlisle is a house built by the same called Rokcliffe where dwell the Grahams, where the Scots seldom come; then Esk, Levon, and Bowe Castle, so strait a country that unless they look through their fingers, no Scots can come there. Sir Will. Musgrave who has the rule lives at London; Jack of Musgrave a bastard is his deputy, "a tall, hardy man," but not meet to have the rule of so many ill men. Either Sir Will. Musgrave ought to reside or Sir Thos. Wharton to occupy the

* The 2nd July 1537 was a Monday, and the King removed from Hampton Court to Woking either on the 3rd or 4th. The occasion of the writing of this letter, however, is by no means certain.

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place. An honest man there would bridle Liddersdale and Tynedale. Lord Dacre of Gillesland has many tall men on his estates very lightly disposed, but he keeps them in awe. The lord of Cumberland is a great lord in Westmoreland, but not in Cumberland. Lord Dacre can help Sir Thos. ten times more than he. Proposes that he should call them together and knit them in amity. Will take care that Sir Thos. Percy's children shall be out of all such danger as Cromwell mentions. Is desired by the King to make the heads of Tynedale and Riddisdale put in pledges. Finds the hurts done by them not so great as he had supposed. The main culprits are Liddersdale men, with the help of the murderers of Hodge of Fenwick, and Anthony Eryngton and John Heron of the Hawe Barnes. Ascertained the facts yesterday from Sir Cuthbert Ratcliff, Thos. father to Sir Reynold Carnaby and Cuthbert Shaftowe, who being sent for, came to him with Geo. Heron, son and heir of John Heron, now in ward there. Lion Grey porter of Berwick, told him that Heron was implicated in the murder. Has written to him sharply, demanding the proof, which if he fails in he shall repent it, though Norfolk has trusted him most of all men next Robt. Colingwood. Has commanded Sir John à Wetherington to take and keep certain thieves of Scotland. They are the men of whom the Scotch King spake unto Ralph Sadler, when he demanded deliverance of the prisoners in Norfolk's name. Hears of no great hurt done by Riddisdale; but during the rebellion many disorders were committed, and they are not able to make restitution. As to pledges, has already nine persons at Sheriff hutton till restitution be made. Will see the King's letters sent to the gentlemen of Northumberland. As the King will soon withdraw him from this intolerable business, begs to be excused assembling the heads of the countries. As soon as he is at York will write to Newcastle. Will not forbear "for travel of the poor old body nor for the expense of the near bottomless purse, to sweep the house as clean as I may." Expects to have the king of Scots' answer to his demands for deliverance of the rebels. Sent to him for that purpose 12 days ago. "He doth keep so small an house that there is but only six messes of meat allowed in his house, and the queen his wife not like to escape without death, and that not long unto, as I am informed by divers ways." Has so handled George Heron that he hopes he will take Heron of Hawebarnes. Is not sorry to hear of the taking of Mowttrell. Doesn't care how often they pluck each other's feathers. Leckenfield, 3 July.

P.S.—Hears from Sir Will. Knolles and Geo. Madyson that the sickness is very bad at Hull. Will not tarry there longer than the time of execution. *Signed.*

Pp. 7. *Addressed* my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* "My lord of Norfolk iiij° July 1537."

204. [Norfolk to Cromwell.]

R. O. "Also my lord I perceive by the schedule in the box" that you sent me a writ for the sheriffs of the city of York to see execution done. The writ was for Lincolnshire and not for Yorkshire, so I have returned it to my lord of Suffolk who has the other. Please send me a new writ to the sheriff of Yorkshire, and not the sheriffs of the city of York; for execution shall be done on the height of the Castle dungeon where the sheriffs of the city have no authority. Let it be with me at York on Wednesday or Thursday week at furthest.

Also my lord, I marvel Sir Thomas Curven is "left out to have fees as other men have." He is more worthy of 20*l.* than any of the others of 10*l.*, and is the most entire friend Sir Thomas Wharton has here.

In the hand of Norfolk's clerk, p. 1.

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3 July. **205.** Robert Southwell to Cromwell.

R. O. On his arrival at the late monastery of Furnes, 23 June, expected to find the monks ready to disperse on receiving their capacities and 20*s.* reward; as the earl of Sussex at his last being there was thought to have concluded with them. Hoped then to have taken the survey and repaired to the survey of the late earl of Northumberland's lands, now the King's. But the monks all said with one voice they had agreed to no sum with the earl of Sussex, but that the Earl promised to be a mean to the King to better their living, and so induced them to surrender. Thereof they put up a bill, signed, to Southwell and the commissioners, which he sends by bearer. The commissioners who were with the Earl confirmed it. As he heard the monks were murmuring that the gift of the monastery had been compulsory, he made the instrument in parchment sent by the bearer, and caused it to be read in the hall before 500 persons, and all, both monks and others, signed and sealed it. Had no other way to compass them but to deny them their capacities, alleging the King wished them sent to some religious houses unless they were unfit to persevere in religion. They were content to have infirmity to be their cause, but in no case would have it read in the hall before their neighbours. Wishes Cromwell had heard the whole process. "After I denied them their liberty and would assign them to religion I never heard written nor spoken of religion that was worst to be worse than they themselves were content to confess. I have not seen in my life such gentle companions; it were great pity if such goodly possessions should not be assigned out for the pasturing of such blessed carcases." They desired 20*s.* wages due at Midsummer last besides the reward; but Southwell gave each 40*s.* as the King's reward, which seemed the least he could give since the traitors of Whalley had no less. Their secular weed bought, without which he would not suffer them to pass out, little would remain. As there was a bill set upon Shappe door, a religious house 12 miles from Furness, that if the people would rise and come into Lancashire again they would find a captain with money ready to receive them, the commissioners used circumspection and wrote to the men of worship in the parts to which the monks went, to watch them. Where learning failed to admonish them, reminded them of "goodly experiments that hangeth on each side of York, some in rochetts, and some in cowls."

Despatching the monks, their servants, and 12 poor men that bought their living of the house took much time. Have surveyed the demesnes by eye and measure, and not by credit, as the commissioners for the suppression did. The cattle are sold, as they could find no other means to rid their train, which was both chargeable and dangerous for stealing. People came from all parts of the South to buy cattle, but for the milch neat, in number six score, the inhabitants had the preference. The lead is all melted into sows: thanks Cromwell for teaching him how to melt the ashes. Wrote to Mr. Chancellor "to make his like letters to the receivers of the suppression." All the lands of Furness in Lancashire are surveyed, except some in the mountains in High Furness, whither they intend, when the church and steeple are "clear dissolved," to repair; and so forth to Egremont Castle and Cokermouth. Intends in next letters to show the values, and how this isle is peopled with men fit to serve the King; but of the parsonages they intend to make no value till they have received one year's profits. Otherwise they would only guess, and it is thus that the King who grants and the farmer who receives are deceived. Desires that the commissioners may have the ordering of the demesnes till next Michaelmas, and meanwhile he will advise Cromwell for a farmer to dwell in the capital house. Has left edifices standing for such a person. Divers parcels of the demesne should be distributed to four or five poor men who were headmen, and had wages of the house, and are now destitute. Their only want is of another house to

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be suppressed and divided into farms among the poor. Beamonde grange, for which there are many suitors, is in occupation of 72 tall fellows. Begs that these may not be expelled for any gentleman's pleasure. Will at leisure advertise Cromwell of the "gressomez" of which he has heard much there and in Yorkshire. The earl of Cumberland pretends to be King's farmer of the manor of Wynterborne, in Craven, Yorksh., worth 50*l.* a year, whereas the Earl would have it for 32*l.* Sends a testimonial, by bearer, of the monks, concerning the Earl's pretended interest therein. Begs Cromwell will get the King to stay any grant there till he and the auditor have perused the lands there. The King commanded him to survey Salley, which Sir Arthur Darcy has. Spoke with Sir Arthur, who said it was worth 700 mks. whereas it was informed the King to be over 900 mks. Thinks Sir Arthur credible enough. If they peruse all the earl of Northumberland's lands they must into Tynesdale and Rydisdale where, if not better accompanied, they "may happe to survey a pair of stocks in Scotland as did Sir Harry Wyatt; whereof I would be right loth, since in the auditor there resteth so little good fellowship as I fear we should not be merry. The abbot of Westminster was so nice to let Copere come forth that I left him behind me." The King shall have here the seniory of Furnes, the barony of Kendal, and the honour of Cokermouth, besides lands in Lancashire by the duke of Richmond. The people are loyal. There is a haven and a "pyle" standing thereby very necessary for its defence. Refers it to Mr. Holcroft, who is expert in such things, to describe at his next repair to the Court. If there is a good fee annexed thereto, Holcroft will take it; he has been diligent, though only put in trust to pluck down the church. Sir James Laburne and Sir John Lampley, the one as commissioner, the other as assistant, by my lord Lieutenant's command, have done good service. Begs that letters may be sent to thank them, and ask their assistance of Sowthwell in Cumberland and Northumberland. Sir John a Lampley was a head officer to the old earl. Furneys, 3 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 11. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 July. **206.** Robert Southwell to Cromwell.

R. O. On his way towards Furness, found the duke of Norfolk at Sheriffhutton in Yorkshire, and delivered Cromwell's letter, on reading which the Duke seemed glad of Southwell's coming. The Duke walked into the park with him to confer of divers matters, as of Gostwyk's, Pope's, and Freman's, whereof at his departure Cromwell commissioned him; and he, being desirous of amity between the Duke and Cromwell, took the occasion to recite many arguments he had perceived both before and since the Duke's going Northward of Cromwell's friendship to the same. The Duke answered, "Sowthwell," quoth he, "I confess all to be true that you have spoken and myself to be knowing of no less than you have said, for having the experiments that I have of his friendship towards me and mine for my sake, if I should have diffidence in him I were not worthy to be taken as an honest man, and if there were any spark of mistrust in me toward him I would not disguise it to you, whom I take both to be my friend and an honest man." Assures Cromwell that wherever the Duke went, after reproving the people for their untruth to the King, he blamed most their inhumanity towards Cromwell. Heard this of the people themselves, who are very penitent, though the original default was not in them. Has heard many complaints as he passed through; if it is as they say, they are not well treated. The tenants of Wynterberne complain of my lord of Cumberland: wherewith he would not meddle other than for the "vndevalue" (undervalue?) of the manor, which touches his office; for he has learnt, in the short while he has served the King, that it is best to be silent. Begs favour. Assures Cromwell the

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206. Robert Southwell to Cromwell—*cont.*

King's fee and all he has beside is not as much as the office in London he gave up on entering the King's service. Can get nothing more than his fee of 20*l.* Truly, if he had sold the cattle, &c. there to the rich, leaving the poor unserved, he might have benefited himself more. Begs remembrance of the bp. of St. Assez suit and his touching the priory of Rochester. Furneys, 3 July.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 July. **207.** Spanish News.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 341. B. M.

Alençon, 1537, 3 July:—News from France and movements of the French armies. Here it is believed that the English have agreed with the Emperor, who it is feared will, in concert with them, invade Vayona (Bayonne.)

Spanish, pp. 2. *Modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

4 July. **208.** Cromwell to the Lord Admiral.

R. O.

Has to-day received letters from John Wynter of Bristowe, stating that about St. Peter's Day tidings came of two Bretons lying on the Welsh coast, who entered a ship of Bristowe freighted for Biscay, and either took the ship or spoiled it. They have also robbed boats coming to St. James' fair at Bristowe, and probably intend to wait for ships and boats coming to and fro the fair. Meanwhile one Bowen of Bristowe has taken 14 or 15 of the Bretons who landed for victual near Tynby, and has put them in prison. Wynter has manned a ship for Rochelle with 50 soldiers besides mariners, and will board them if they come in his way. Requests the lord Admiral to advertise the King and find out his pleasure about the prisoners, and whether anything else shall be done in those parts. The Rolls, 4 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* A letter to my lord Admiral. Particular letters.

4 July. **209.** G. Earl of Shrewsbury, to Cromwell.

R. O.

As Sir Henry Sacheverell, who did very good service with the Earl at the last insurrections, is now going up to the King, requests Cromwell to get him access to the King's presence and to instruct his Highness of his services. Wynfeld, 4 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

4 July. **210.** Francis Hall to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

This morning Mons. de Mollenbais desired me to write to you that as there is here strange speaking both of the French king and the Frenchmen,—*i.e.*, that the French king is extremely sick, or out of his mind, or dead (for the trumpets that have been here all say the Dauphin and the Great Master were at Amyas, and the King about Paris or Fontainebleau)—you would certify him of the truth. According to yours and Mr. Porter's letters I sent you "a safeguard for fyns." I am sure my uncle* will let you know all his news. From beside Turwaune, Wednesday, 4 July 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Deputy.

ii. Memoranda on the back. "To speak to Mons. de Bies, to write to the baily of Braynerd (?) and Robert le Standard (?), Mons de Curlew (?).

* Sir Robert Wingfield.

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4 July **211.** JEHAN ANGO to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have received your letter by the bearer, and in his presence have spoken to the man who took the hoy (*le heux*) and the Flemings. He maintains they are lawful prize. If, therefore, anyone demands it, let him come here, and justice shall be done. Dieppe, 4 July 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

4 July. **212.** CASTELNAU, BISHOP OF TARBES, to FRANCIS I.

Ribier i. 35. After receiving your two letters from Fontainebleau, 13th and 14th ult., I went to the King, your good brother, to communicate the decipher of the letters of the count of Cifuentes and marquis of Aguilar, and that which has been translated from Portuguese into Italian. Though he found them very bad, as his countenance witnessed, when I was reading the articles mentioning him and the marriage of Madame Marie, his daughter, still, in the end he reassured himself and wished to excuse the Emperor; saying that the writers were far enough away from him to be ignorant of his will. I replied that the said count and marquis were personages of sufficient credit with their master to know his intention, and that, by their daily practises with the Pope, they can better judge the Emperor's estimate of the said marriage than many others who are nearer the Emperor's person. I added that if he considers what terms the Emperor, being at peace with you, formerly used to him, he will find that present extremity has brought him to seek this marriage as a means of getting money from him and the king of Portugal; but he is too wise and wary a prince to let himself be abused by practises for the sole profit of the Emperor.

He then prayed me to leave him the said intercepted letters with the decipher in order that he might get the Emperor's ambassador to recognise the signature. This I did, as advised by the Grand Master. The King, after speaking of the taking of St. Pol, and magnifying the order which the Flemings keep in their camp, returned to the marriage of his daughter, saying she had been offered to you for M. d'Orleans, and since you have refused her, and the brother of the king of Portugal is willing to take her upon any conditions, you could not complain that he had not done his duty to you. Still, the said marriage is not yet quite concluded, and although they seek it diligently and make great offers, such as to give Milan to the Infant of Portugal upon this marriage, he is determined to conclude nothing until the Emperor and king of Portugal leave all other amities which are to him suspect, and join his party; which he has good hope they will do, and already the Spaniards (as he is well informed) are ready to leave the obedience of the Pope and approve the books made here against the marriage of Madame Catherine and against the Pope's authority, insomuch that several "gens de scavoir" have asked subjects of his to bring them many of the said books.

I answered that many people would oppose the possession of Milan by the brother of the king of Portugal, and that he knew whom it most touched, and I could only say that the Emperor wished the marriage of his daughter to cost him dear, putting upon him a burden which he cannot bear, and if he found the cost of Milan was not greater than its revenue he would not be so liberal in offering it. Now if he does not look to himself, they will put him in a labyrinth from which he will hardly escape; for their persuading him that the Spaniards approve what is done here is only to deceive him more easily and get him to contribute in favour of the said marriage; and so separate him from you, in order afterwards to dispose of him at their will when they find him alone and badly allied. He answered that whatever came of this marriage he would always remain your best brother and friend; adding that he knew the gentlemen of your council and of his had no great

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212. Castelnau, Bishop of Tarbes, to Francis I.—*cont.*

goodwill to the friendship between you, which would not last long if the mutual goodwill of you two were not greater than that of your privy councils.

I wrote last that the marriage they were treating here was so far arranged by the Chancellor and Cromwell with the Imperial ambassadors, that both sides thought it concluded, and so the ambassadors informed Madame Marie, and one of Cromwell's most confidential servants told a friend he had heard his master say so. I have since investigated this affair and found that the Emperor and king of Portugal, from whom Don Diego de Mendoça has powers, have prayed the King, upon the said marriage, to give Madame Marie the *dot* of her late mother, 300,000 ducats, and let the Emperor take the said sum upon delivering the duchy of Milan or of Florence to the Infant, at the king of England's choice, as the assignation of the said sum and of the lady's *douaire;* offering then to take the lady in any quality he likes and not to pretend any right to the succession of England; praying further that after the marriage the Infant may take the lady to Spain or elsewhere, as shall be necessary for the preservation of the estate the Emperor shall give him. These conditions the Chancellor and Cromwell hoped to get ratified, but their master would not consent to his daughter's leaving this country until he had other issue, and also to the assignation of the *dot* and *douaire* upon lands not in Flanders or elsewhere near England. Which two articles, although the ambassadors have no power at present to allow them, it is thought the Emperor will readily consent to: but, when they hoped the marriage was in a fair way to be soon concluded, the King has proposed that it is necessary for the Emperor and king of Portugal to declare, and to bind the estates or their realms to maintain, that the marriage of the late queen Catharine was null and against the divine law and therefore that the lady Mary is illegitimate, and that the judgments at Rome contrary to the Acts of this country are null and "abusif," the Pope having no jurisdiction in the matter. Thus the King, who does not see how directly to induce the Emperor and king of Portugal to make themselves heads of the churches in their realms, would tacitly lead them to do something against the Pope, in order that their total destruction and separation from the Church of Rome may follow.

M. de Limoges could advertise you amply of the communication we had with the King; and as the King and his Council complain of innumerable wrongs done to Englishmen on the sea, I have explained in detail to M. d'Allas, the bearer, all their grievances and the answer M. de Limoges and I made. Please give him credence in these and all other affairs of which, the Grand Master wrote to me, he had charge to inform himself on his return from Scotland. London, 4 July 1537.

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Bibl. Nat. Paris, Fonds Moreau, No. 737, p. 94.

2. An abstract of the news contained in the fourth paragraph of the above as far as the words about the judgment at Rome being null and "abusif." Headed and subscribed as written at London, 5 (*sic*) July.

Fr., pp. 2. *From a modern transcript.*

213. Francis I. to Tarbes.

Ribier, i, 38.

Has received by the sieur d'Allas his letter of the 4th, and thinks his reply touching the count of Fuentes (Cifuentes) and the Marquis d'Aguillare as good as possible. As to the King's daughter having been offered for M. de Orleans, &c., the difficulty arose because she was not to be delivered as legitimate. If the king of Portugal's brother will take her upon any conditions Francis much approves the match; for he takes the king of Portugal for his good brother, and is confident that the king of England will not conclude anything at the Emperor's suggestion, prejudicial to

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Francis or his children. Thinks, from what Tarbes writes, that the thing is not yet concluded.

As to affairs in Picardy, the enemy are still about Therouenne, and have battered it for some days; but those within scarcely fear them, and are determined to defend themselves. The French army is near Hesdin, in a place suitable for harassing the enemy.

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4 July. **214.** SADOLET to POLE.

Sadoleti Epp. Fam. Ep. 289. Poli Epp. II. 72.

Has not written to him since he left, as Pole has not asked him to do anything on his account. We are here in great fear of the Turk, against whom we have no garrisons laid, and our only trust is our prince's* wisdom. Experienced men say no hostile fleet can have access to us before the end of August. Regrets that Pole has not been successful in his efforts. Wishes for his return, as things cannot remain long in their present disturbed condition. Desires him to salute the bp. of Verona. Rome, iv. Non. Julii, 1537.

Latin.

5 July. **215.** THE PRIEST OF BISHOP'S HAMPTON.

R. O.

"The saying of Richard Lyghttfote, Friday the 5th day of July† Anno rr. Henrici VIII. 29, before John Grevyll and William Lucy esquire and John Combes the King's commissioners."

That Wm. Clopton on Thursday, 4 July, being market day in the town of Streteford,‡ came into the chapel of the Guild and sent for divers persons of the said town, some twice, some thrice, some more, willing them to set their hands to a certain bill against the priest of Hampton.§ Among others he sent his servant John Barrete to the house of the said Ric. Lightfoot desiring him to come to the chapel, and as he did not come at once, sent for him twice more. So he came to the said Clopton and found with him Henry Samwell, Wm. Fynche and others. On Clopton desiring him to put his hand to the bill which was to be sent up to London, "forasmuch as you bare my tenant, the same Richard Lyghttfote demanded and said, Let me hear those words in the said bill,"—viz., those in the bill of indictment. Lightfoot refused to put his hand to the bill, never having heard the priest speak or preach such words, and said no man should cause him to belie any Christian man. Then Clopton said "You will not displease Master Combes, for that he will make you this year master of the Guild." *Signed* by Grevyll, Lucy, and Combes.

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5 July. **216.** JOHN UVEDALE to MR. CHALLONER.

R. O.

Sends the confession of Wood and the other witnesses, and the declaration of the mind of Father Robynson to be delivered to my lord President. Rob. Wood, uncle to the said accuser Will. Wood, told some of the Council after his examination that the said William when a child was so often caught picking and stealing that his kinsmen thought of putting him to sea in a coble boat. Sends also copy of Will. Wood's examination this morning. Compare the two examinations you will see what sort of man he is. York, Thursday, 5 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my loving fellow Master Challoner at Pountefrete.

* Andrea Doria, prince of Melfi.
† The 5th of July was a Thursday in 1537 (29 Hen. VIII.)
‡ Stratford-upon-Avon. § Edward Large, see No. 303.

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5 July. **217.** HUGH GILLS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Mons. de Brytyngie, otherwise called Johan de Quitanadonys has promised a couple of chickens of the breed of the hens of Inde (turkeys), and will send them when they are older. It is said here that the English have caused the breaking up of their army, so that our nation is ill welcome and in doubt of greater displeasure.

Asks Lord Lisle to tell his cousin John Marshall if the writer need to withdraw himself for eschewing of further dangers. Roan, 5 July, 1537.

The above named merchant has caused him to enclose a letter in this. There is nothing prejudicial in it, as it only concerns his merchandise. Asks that it may be delivered to Arnolde Guilyem or some man at the house of Gills' father.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* in Calais.

5 July. **218.** JAMES V. to CHRISTIAN III.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger IV. 53. After receiving his letters by Geo. Lutken, determined to send an ambassador. Desires credence for John Bertoun. Holyrood, 5 July 1537. *Signed.*

Lat.

ii. Bertoun's instructions are to congratulate Christian on his success, and to advise him to make an alliance with France.

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219. DENMARK AND SCOTLAND.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger IV. 55. Christian III.'s reply to the Scotch envoy. Congratulates the king of Scotland on his safe return from France and his marriage, and condoles with him for the Queen's death. Thanks for his suggestions about the French alliance. When he began the war sent ambassadors to England, France, and Scotland, asking for aid, and was surprised at getting none. Denmark is devastated by the war. Has therefore made peace with the Emperor for three years. Has nevertheless determined to send an envoy to France to treat, and requests James to send some one to assist in the negotiations. Cannot send the ship equipped with cannon and ammunition as the King desires, as he has to go to Norway to receive this crown, and will not only want his own ships but will have to borrow from his friends, Copenhagen.

Latin.

Ibid. 58. 2. A similar statement in French.

6 July. **220.** CHERTSEY ABBEY.

R. O. Surrender (by John Cordrey, abbot, and the convent, in consideration that the King intends to found anew the late monastery of Bissam, Berks., and establish them as abbot and convent of Bissam, and endow them with the possessions of the late monastery of Bissam) of the monastery with all its possessions in England and Wales, and the marches thereof. 6 July, 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John [Cordrey,] abbot, William, the prior, and 13 others. [*See* D. K.'s Eighth Report, App. II., 15.] *Seal mutilated.*

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 8] with memorandum of acknowledgment, same day, before Wm. Peter one of the clerks of Chancery.

6 July. **221.** HERESY.

Cleop. E. IV. 103. B. M. Indictment of Alice, wife of Francis Fonge, of Parva Missenden, setting forth that whereas Ric. Westwood and Thos. Newynt[on ?], churchwardens of Lye, Bucks., 6 July, 29 Henry VIII., came to Fonge's house

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and asked his charity for their church, and Alice wife of the said Francis asked them to drink, Westwood saw a book of the Gospels in English lying in the window, and read therein concerning baptism, and questioned the said Alice, who like a heretic denied that the blessed water could save a human soul. He also questioned her and she denied transubstantiation (*questions and answers given*). She then refused to answer further and said "Non habeo librum Postremæ Cænæ."

Latin, p. 1.

6 July. **222.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. I wrote before asking what I should do with the Northern man and the priest and his accuser, for words against the King. I desire to know; the examinations are with your Lordship. No news. I am removing to Chester where I will tarry till the "middes" of August next. Bisshoppiscastell, 6 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 July. **223.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I received yesterday, by the bearer, your letter complaining of the capture, by men of St. Saulveur Dyves, of an English hoy, which has been brought to Boulogne. I immediately sent word to the Admiral's lieutenant, who tells me he had already seen about it and that the persons you demand are at liberty in their hoy. Will take all care to prevent an infraction of the amity. Boulogne, 6 July. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

7 July. **224.** The Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

See Grants in July No. 25.

7 July. **225.** Harry Huttoft to Cromwell.

R. O. I received your letters by the bearer John Thrushe concerning such bonds as I stood bound to him for Ant. Guydott and his brother, "whereupon at the much creping and fair words of the said Thrushe I paid him at his first day after the departing of the said Ant. Guydott, 120*l.*" and he promised to wait for the remaining 85*l.* till the said Antony came home. I have also paid him upon my bond for Baptist Guydott, 88*l.* 5*s.*, so there remains 136*l.* 13*s.* I never denied my debt as he complains, and now on your Lordship's letter, though it is very inconvenient, I have offered him Gascon wines to the value of 80*l.* or to pay him 100 marks at the coming of my ship. All which he has refused, showing himself very extreme by reason of your Lordship's letter, and making more rumour than all the other creditors. I beg you to consider what pain I have, awaiting succour from the said Antony. 7 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

7 July. **226.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Desires him to be good lord to John Horseley the bearer who is one of the best defenders of Northumberland: where he and Robert à Colyngwode dwell there has been no hurt done in all the time of this business with Lyddersdale. Rispee,* 7 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* Risby in Yorkshire near Beverley.

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7 July. **227.** Luis Sarmiento to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 342. B. M.

News of the King, Queen and family of Portugal. The Infant Don Luis has asked me twice or thrice if your Majesty has written about the coming of the Ambassador who lately came thither from the king of England, or if anything was known of Don Diego de Mendoça whom you sent to England. Replied that there had not been time for an answer upon the matter of England since his going. He said that from France he wrote nothing of the matter of England; but that a cardinal was there, an Englishman whom the Pope was sending to England. [The King of England]† sent to have him delivered as his subject, and the French King replied he had no jurisdiction over him, but would send him out of his kingdom. This he did, and the Cardinal has gone to Cambray.

* * * Hebora, 7 July 1537.

Spanish, pp. 5. Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.

8 July. **228.** Cromwell to Sir Thos. Wyat.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 205. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 316.

Writes this by George Pery, a gentleman of M. Chappuys, the Emperor's ambassador. Here at Stepney this morning arrived Rougecroix the herald with Wyat's letters dated 24 June. Forwarded them straightway to the King at Oking. Thanks him for his letters written at his first arrival before he had audience and for those now received. Touching communications with the Emperor's ambassadors, of which Cromwell wrote by M. de Vauldray, hopes for a good result. No news since last writing. The traitors have been executed, lord Darcy at Tower Hill and lord Hussey at Lincoln, Aske hanged upon the dungeon of York Castle, Sir Robt. Constable hanged at Hull, and the rest at Thyfbourne; so that all the cankered hearts are weeded away. The Burgundians have a jolly army of hardy men which took St. Pol by assault, killing 800 Frenchmen in the assault and 1,500 more on first entering the town. From thence they went to Montereul, which in two days surrendered upon terms, M. de Canaples, the captain, going out with bag and baggage. The town was then spoiled, brent, and rased. Thence they have gone to besiege Therouenne, which they hope to take. They have as yet had never a skirmish with the Frenchmen; albeit the Dolphyn and Great Master are at Abbeville assembling their army to rescue that town, and the French king is at Fontainebleau, and they (the French) crack that they will give them battle. Writes in haste, but must not omit to say that some of Wyat's servants are called common stealers of the King's hawks. Wyat must write to them to leave such pranks. It is needless to write of the "prosperous disposition" of the King and Queen, which God continue. Stepeney, 8 July 1537. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Ambassador resident with the Emperor. *Endd.:* "ij. From my lord Privy Seal by George Pery at Saragosse, rec. the ij^{d} of August."

8 July. **229.** Norfolk to [Cromwell].

R. O. St. P. v. 91.

I thank your lordship for your friendship at this time in trying out my truth and my son's, and advertising me of the King's favours borne to me. Excuses himself from taking Cromwell's advice to offer to remain longer in these parts; for if he should tarry till the cold weather it would cause his death. Even now in the heat of summer he goes as warmly clad as in winter, and yet if he takes any cold the lax comes again so sore that it plucks his stomach clear away. Begs therefore that the King's promise in his last letters may be observed. Does not feign this disease as those of the Council here will witness. Will serve the King in France or Flanders, or elsewhere out of these cold parts, as long as he can sit on horseback, but

† These words omitted in the copy.

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here he cannot live. Believes Cromwell would not have written as he did without the King's privity. Fears he has back friends that wish him out of the world. Although it be best to have a lieutenant here with a good Council, a good president, and a good minister of justice, yet the country is now in that sort that none of the realm shall be better governed. If hereafter he can do the King service, and is able to ride, will be ready on three days' warning with 100 of his household well horsed. As to restraints for deer that were the earl of Northumberland's, will act with all diligence. Has requested Sir Thomas Tempest to take Sir Thomas Percy's children into his custody as they are now in the Bishopric within two miles of his house. Wrote concerning John Heron and his son George and the other John Heron. Yesterday Lion Grey brought him one of the men that has detected the matter, and delivered his confession made 30 April before Sir Reynold Carnaby, and others sent with this. Begs that it may be returned. Thinks they have not done well to keep it so long secret. His servant Thomas Hussey will declare his opinion what is to be done in the matter. Cromwell will also receive by him a letter sent to Norfolk from the king of Scots, and he shall declare the offer made by lord Maxwell and his opinion therein. "On Friday, being market day at Hull, Sir Robert Constable suffered, and doth hang above the highest gate of the town, so trimmed in chains, as this bearer can show you, that I think his bones will hang there this hundred year." And on Thursday, a market day, Norfolk will be at the execution of Aske at York with the neighbouring gentry. Will then remain at Sheriffhutton till he hears the King's pleasure concerning the affairs of the Marches. Hopes, if Mr. Aldred be promoted to Carlisle as reported, that Mr. Thirlby and Mr. Curren will have some part of his promotions. Wishes Sir Ralph Ellerker were made master of the game of this park with rule of the lordship. Lekenfild, Sunday, 8 July.

P.S.—The sending down of the King's pardon should not be further delayed for the coming down of any nobleman hither unless it were to succeed himself, and the sooner the better. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* 1537.

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230. JAMES OF DESMOND to HENRY VIII.

Humbly proffers his service to the King, which he can do better than any of his predecessors did, since his grandfather was headed at Drodagh, saving his father who was leader of the King's host in all wars in Munster. Marvels at the King's reception of the bastard James Fitz Maurice, whose father and grandfather were continual rebels against the Crown, robbing cities, killing merchants, and giving the possessions of the English to Irishmen. Asks that the cities and borough towns of Munster may decide which is worthiest. With 300 men he would astonish the nobility with the good rule he would put in Munster in two years. Kyllmallock, 8 July.

Half page. (*See* No. 389, vi.)

9 July. R. O.

231. JOHN BUTLER to CRANMER.

Here is a priest, Sir William Mynstreley, once a curate in London and in Kent, who offered to prove by his book called "Lavacrum Conscientiæ," that priests are above angels, and ought to have no temporal prince over them nor pay anything to them. Butler sent for him and took the book from him, and found that he had sore laboured a place that advanced the bp. of Rome's authority, and another place in favour of purgatory. Brought the book to my lord and the council, who committed the priest to prison. There is another priest here called Good Sir William, who on Sunday, 1 July, in executing the parish priest's office, ordered the day of St. Thomas the Martyr to be kept as a holiday as of old. Wishes to know what to do with him, for he is a great enemy to the truth. Once he

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231. JOHN BUTLER to CRANMER—*cont.*
was going to be punished for sorcery, but such suit was made for him that nothing was done, and now I see suit will again be made for him, for lady Lisle told me she would write to you in his behalf. His name is Sir William Richardson. I answered her that the matter touched the King, as he had disobeyed the King's commandment, but I see that is a small fault here. Calais, 9 July.
Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

9 July. **232.** GEORGE GYFFARD to CROMWELL.
R. O. At my last being with you I informed your lordship of divers misdemeanors done by Sir Will. Brakden, abbot elect of St. James nigh Northampton, whereupon I perceived your lordship took some stay concerning the furtherance of his suit. Since his coming home about 14 days ago, he has taken comfort by your letters to imprison two of the canons, the one named Sir Ric. Writer the other Sir Ric. Kylner, for speaking against his preferment. I doubt not they spoke of him truly as a man too light for such a room. I beg you will direct a commission or call the prisoners before you, who say they are ready to prove what they have spoken. The said abbot elect has all his comfort from the prior of St. Andrew's. Cleydon, 9 July.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 July. **233.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.
R. O. In behalf of Thos. Daulston the bearer, who has received no fees like other gentlemen of the West Marches, though he has done good service in the time of this business, as Cumberland and others can report. Lekenfild, 9 July. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

9 July. **234.** RIC. POLLARD to CROMWELL.
R. O. Will attend to his letters for finding the office of the late lord Darcy's lands only for the King, and nothing for the title of the lord Steward. Encloses a list of Darcy's fees and offices, and will send the like, of Sir Robt. Constable's. Has surveyed the demesnes and granges of the late monastery of Whalley, but not all the lands, as they be in divers shires. Has let the demesnes and granges until Michaelmas to the poor inhabitants. Has heard divers men say they trust to have it of the King at the old rent. Does not meddle with the lead of Whalley or Byrlyngton, for if it is handled by those who understand it, it will fetch a great sum. Was offered 500 mks. for the covering of one barn at Byrlyngton. Asks what shall be done with the walls. Has granted the tithes appropriate to the said monasteries to divers men till Christmas, and then they to yield account for the profits of a whole year. Whalle, 9 July.
Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 July. **235.** ROBERT ALDRIDGE, BISHOP OF CARLISLE.
See GRANTS in JULY, No. 30.

10 July. **236.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.
R. O. "Lauded be God, we had a fair passage." With much ado we were horsed at Dover, notwithstanding your lordship's commandment, but we made such diligence that we were with my lord Privy Seal by 2 p.m. next day. His lordship was glad of our coming, and especially of the overthrow of the French. Perceives that any news favourable to the Emperor will be acceptable, and Lisle should see that such intelligence may come first through

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him. My lord Privy Seal has committed Jas. Crane to my governance and company, and we have been continually waiting to know his pleasure; but he defers till his servant, who is hourly looked for, comes from Court. This matter is earnestly looked upon. Perceives what is done will be by the King's assent and the whole Council. Cromwell promises I shall be rid of your long tracted suit before he comes from Court. The *Great Bark*, the *Minion*, the *Janet*, and the *Swipstake* are pressed and shall forthwith out, for what purpose is yet unknown. Lady Lawson is dead. As for your other affairs "with your familiar enemies," I doubt not they will be defeated. Goodall has received everything according to Mr. Skryven's writing. I trust God will send him in safety. St. Katharine's, 10 July.

Has had a side of a red deer given him for his lordship by Mr. Gounson. Harold hath it to bake.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

10 July. **237.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Although I was loth to leave you, it was a comfort to see you merry, and it would be a greater to me and all your friends to hear that you are delivered of a young Plantagenet. We had a fair passage, but there were not six of the quails worth presenting to the Queen. All the rest were very lean, especially ten or twelve, so I sent them to Mr. Sywlyard. Goodall can tell you what they were like, by no means so good as the last. Since my coming I have received your letter with the letter for Mr. Hore. I will follow your ladyship's commands. I am still here waiting on my lord Privy Seal, with my carriage. I trust shortly to be rid thereof. St. Katharine's, 10 July.

Excuses his bad writing as he has pricked his thumb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

10 July. **238.** SIR THOMAS TEMPEST to CROMWELL.

R. O. Norfolk has shown him Cromwell's letter directing him to abide in these parts. Thinks the instruction ought not to be followed; he is so diseased that it would be dangerous for him to dwell in this cold country in winter. Is sure he wishes to serve the King to the best of his power, but other noblemen might be appointed to rule these countries. Nevertheless he should not be recalled immediately; for, first, he is much beloved in these parts; secondly he is noted as a just man, diligent to serve the King in all things, fierce and sharp to offenders, and admitted by Scotch and English to be of high courage. And although these parts be now well stayed, their late perversity should be noted, and, as many great men of blood and well befriended have justly suffered, it is to be feared their friends are not well contented. Thinks therefore that Norfolk, whom all offenders regard as their scourge, should remain till the end of October, leaving behind him a council with a good president, and returning at Easter or soon after for summer. Beverley, 10 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 July. **239.** SIR THOMAS TEMPEST to TUNSTALL.

R. O. Perceives that my lord of Norfolk labours sore to be discharged of all authority in these parts and to depart hence at Michaelmas, notwithstanding my Lord Privy Seal's persuasions to remain. Is well assured nevertheless he will follow the King's pleasure. Tunstall knows what need there is to have him here. Wishes he could remain here till Hallowmas, repair to London for winter, and come back for summer. The country is not so clearly reduced to all goodness that he should be taken from these parts. Has written much to this purpose to my lord Privy Seal and begs Tunstall will express his opinion. Beverley, 10 July.

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10 July. **240.** CHARLES V. to LUIS SARMIENTO.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 345. B. M.

Has seen all his letters up to the 15 June. Has not replied to them as he awaited answer from the ambassadors in England about the mission of Don Diego de Mendoça, which answer came eight days ago. It consists in three points which will appear by the "*relacion*" and the copy of the Emperor's reply sent herewith. Would have liked to have had the king of Portugal's advice first; but the instability of England and the necessity of diligence and the nature of the King's demands touching the Council and the Faith which do not concern our own will but the service of God, made the Emperor reply immediately as he has done. All is to be shown to the king of Portugal and the Infant, and their opinion taken. The Emperor is as anxious as they for the success of the negociation.

Movements of the French troops, probability of their invading Spain on the side of Narbonne, &c. The Turk and the Emperor's preparations against him. Florence. Duchess of Savoy. The queen of Portugal and the French ambassador. The Indies. The man who came from Prester John, &c.

Modern copy from the archives of Simancas, Spanish, pp. 11. *Original headed:* A Luis Sarmiento, de Valladolid 10 de Julio 1537.

11 July. **241.** RICH. CROMWELL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Master Meggis and myself have been with the bp. of Ely for the renewal of Master Meggis's patents on Mr. Gregory's behalf and mine. When the bp. saw that I had bought Mr. Meggis's good-will, he chafed at Mr. Meggis, saying it was a pity he had ever had it, and that he was a great destructioner of the grounds; insomuch that he would have gladly found him by some means to be a traitor. I wish your Lordship had been there. No man was ever so stirred, swearing by God's body that neither he, I, nor any other man should have the patent renewed at his hands. His colour changed so often, I was afraid he was half lunatic. He was so angry that he continually called for drink and drank three or four times or ever he moved his foot. Mr. Poulsted can report further. I have not seen a man of his order so gentle to entertain suitors; such men deserve promotion. Stepney, 11 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 July. **242.** SIR J. RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

After I had received your letter, immediately I went to the King, then going to supper, and showed his Majesty your misfortune in the sickness of Bold, your servant. His Grace was sorry and answered there was no danger, but that you might repair to Court in a day or two. Thereupon he told the Queen, who I perceived was afraid, "whereupon, considering that her Grace is with child, and the case that she is in," I went again to the King and said I perceived the Queen was afraid. His Majesty answered that the Queen was somewhat afraid, but that ye might lie at Mr. Westone's, Mr. Browne's, my lord Marquis', and other good fellows' houses, and meet his Grace daily at hunting and keep him company all day till night, for the present. Come with what train ye shall think good. His Grace is sorry the chance happened, "that ye might not be here to make good cheer, as we all do, and the King who useth himself more like a good fellow than like a king among us that be here" and, thank God! I never saw him merrier. I made Ralph Saddeler's excuse 3 days ago, showing the King he was a mourner for my lord of Northumberland, and now that this chance has "mishappened" him for Bolde's being in his house. The King said he promised to have been here before the Earl's

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burial. I answered he was one of those ye put in trust for the burial. Praying you to make his excuse accordingly. Gillford, 11 July at 10 o'clock at night. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Mr. Russell.

11 July. **243.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. The earl of Angus has written to him to give the bearer a passport through the realm. Encloses his letter. As he has no authority to grant one, has given him merely a bill for his conduct up to London with a letter to Cromwell, that he may not leave the realm without seeing him. He will explain how hardly the Earl's friends are handled in Scotland. Osgoodbee. 11 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

11 July. **244.** CHARLES V. to MARY OF HUNGARY.

Lanz. II. 677. By letters of 11 July the Emperor replies to various letters from her. * * Desires peace, but can give no power or instruction. But they two must settle the difficulties. Francis has never wished to declare his will. It was otherwise in the treaty of Cambray, for he had good security, and the question was only about the county of Burgundy; and when the Emperor would have treated otherwise he declined to treat by anyone but the Queen. As to the truce, she may treat of it either "comme calme" or by abstinence or neutrality, and she may act of herself, promising to get it ratified without using the power he sends of old date, that it may not be supposed she acts by necessity; "mais ne scet comment les pays sçaueroient faire la paix pour lui. Au regart de la necessité ne sçaueroit faire davantage qu'il na fait." * *

Approves of the treaty of Maistricht, and also of what she has done with regard to card. Pole.

French abstract.

11 July. **245.** JO. GUIDICCIONE to ——— .

Vatican MS. "Molto R$_d$ Mons.," a secret treaty has been discovered:—*the King of England is lending money to* bbd (*the Emperor?*). *The amount is not known. The marriage of the Infant is not believed to go* forward, because, *the Queen being pregnant, the King* takes *time to reply*, and it has even been told me that *he would rather give the Princess his daughter to a son of the King of the Romans*, although much *inferior in age and* so *nearly related.* If this were so, one could judge *the money he might lend to be by way of dower;* and perhaps that it is intended to give *the state of* ct (*Milan*) to *the said son of the King of the Romans.* This does not agree well with *what the Emperor* (bbd) *told the Venetian ambassador, namely, that the King of England was changeable* ("*volubile*"), *and he could not agree with him if he would not return to the Church.* "Puo anco esser che abbia piacer che *scriva cosi al* x (*Papa?*), *ma per quanto* si vede *sua Maesta most*[*ra sontentsa*].†

The other English ambassador‡ left on the 28th ult., the Emperor giving him three cups of gold, the one going inside the other, worth 2,000 ducats. His Majesty had determined to pass into Flanders at the end of this month: perhaps the King of England's reply and the retirement of the king of France, with whom he wished to come to a battle (*giornata*), have detained

† The words within brackets are cancelled, the cipher having evidently been bungled.

‡ Ric. Pate.

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245. Jo. Guidiccione to ——— —*cont.*

him; besides, the affairs of Germany continuing to improve, he will have no need to pass. It is certain that the duchess of Milan will marry the son of the duke of Juliers and Cleves, of whom I wrote on the 4th ult. The Emperor makes constant efforts for the settlement of Germany, and it is thought that even the duke of Saxony will return to a better obedience. The Council of Paris has sent to the king of France to send reinforcements to the Flemish frontier. M. de Valdre affirms this, who came 10 days ago from Flanders with the news of that country and letters and credences from England.

It is reported that the French soldiers who were to invade Italy will attack Perpignan or Navarre and Fontarabia, and the Emperor has ordered the nobles, people, and prelates of Spain to be prepared in arms. The bp. of Palenza is to pay 20 men at arms, and the others according to their revenues. I asked why the prelates agreed [to this], and they replied it was an ancient custom for defence of the realm, and was the more necessary now that the French king has joined with the Turk to invade them. The Emperor speaks of taking the offensive on those borders. *He shows the Spaniards that he is unjustly attacked and does nothing except in self defence, so that already they begin to accuse him of too much goodness,* and say *he ought to invade France, and that they will bear any expense.* The duke of Savoy complains of the insolence of the soldiers in Nice, who have been five months without pay, and from whom he is scarcely safe in the Rock. *The Emperor will have that fortress in his own hands, and the duke shall stay in the country and the duchess come here.* I wrote that the Emperor had ordered Prince Doria to Messina to be ready to aid the Venetians. News that the Venetian ambassador and "il Balii" have left the Turk. The Emperor going to Monzon, and has promised the Empress to return before her child is born.

Lately, in these strict treaties of agreement with the King of England, I have reminded these "signori" and the Emperor himself to look well what they do, and have due respect to the Holy See. They have always promised well. Now I have pressed them to tell me in what terms they stand; but they will only say that nothing is yet concluded, and that the king demands (1) that there shall be no Council, and (2) that if there is, there may be no talk of his affairs, which are to be left as they are, the Emperor binding himself to their defence. These "signori" say they have utterly refused those requests, but they beg his Holiness not to divulge it, lest that King having demanded these dishonourable things, and knowing that his Holiness has notice of it, should stand obstinate in the demand, or, if the agreement were made, should take offence because they swear to do nothing against the respect due to the Holy See. I write it as they told it me. Perhaps his Holiness will have better information elsewhere.

Italian, pp. 6. *From a modern copy in R. O. Original endd.:* 11 July 1537.

12 July. **246.** Duke of Suffolk and Wm. Nanton.

Add. Ch. 909. B. M. Lease made 12 July, 29 Hen. VIII., by Charles duke of Suffolk to his servant Wm. Nanton of the manors of Howes and Erle Alderton, Suff., and the third part of the advowson of Alderton church, for 99 years at 6*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* per annum.

Endorsed with a memorandum of 28 April 1578 that it has been transferred to Robt. Mawe, of Lincoln's Inn.

Latin, parchment.

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12 July. **247.** Robbery of John Flowre, Clothier.

R. O. Depositions taken 12 July, 29 Hen. VIII., before Rob. Abbot of Malmesbury, John Hamlyn, and Anthony Styleman, justices of the peace for Wiltshire, of—

i. Rob. Braybon, otherwise called Keeper, of Charnelstrete, Wilts, "innholder of the ostree of the Beere" (Bear) adjoining to the town of Hungerford, as to the persons suspected of robbing John Flowre, of Worton, clothier, between Bagshot and Windsor park. That one Thos. Bryght and two others, one of whom Bryght called Master Wasshington, came to his house the day before St. Nicholas' eve, lodged there that night, and left at 8 next morning, saying they were servants to Mr. Gryffith, of Staffordshire, knight, and wished to see some land of their master's. They returned at 4 in the evening, saying they had come by the bp. of Sarum's manor of Rammesbury, about three miles from deponent's house, and departed on St. Nicholas' day. Eight days afterwards he met Bryght and Washington in London at a tailor's shop in Fleet Street in far better apparel than before, and they invited him to dine at the house of one —— Whelpeley, in St. Antholin's churchyard, where he met one Master Huntley, a servant of the King.

ii. Joan Brusse, servant of the said Braybon, says the three persons lodged in the house on Monday before St. Nicholas, and she thought one of them was Mr. Baymfeld, who had land at Rowde beside the Devizes. *Signed by the justices.*

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

12 July. **248.** Norfolk to [Cromwell].

R. O. At his coming to York on Wednesday, received two letters from Cromwell by Blitheman with the copy of that sent by Sir Ralph Evers to Sir John Bulmer. Yesterday morning examined him apart. Cannot perceive but that he bears Cromwell hearty good will. He would not confess to have written anything to the said Sir John or any other concerning you or me or other of the Council. At last I showed him the copy of the letter, and he said Sir John had written to ask his advice about the entry to be made in the parsonage of Sedryngton, and that he wrote an answer much like the copy, but without any mention of you or me or of like matter. Advises that he should be allowed to ride up and declare himself, which he cannot do in haste, for he has been in great danger, and I think will not live long. He has voided downwards much corrupt blood, and at his ear both blood and corrupt matter very stinking. Thinks he will be with Cromwell in seven or eight days. He considers the matter to have been forged against him by Sir Roger Chambley, with whom he has been long at feud. Wishes Sir Roger were come home, for of him only are many complaints of polling and bribery. Not having written to the King for some time, has now advertised his Majesty of the occurrents, and forbears to write more fully In delivering the King's letters missives, and those for the annuities, retained six by the advice of Sir Thos. Warton for these reasons:—1. There is no such man as Thos. Redmayne. 2. Wm. and John Hutton are but freeholders, and can do little service. 3. Wm. Lancaster cannot spend 40*s.* a year, and can do nothing. 4. Richard Blanko, a man of small havour either of lands or goods, and one of the most busy men in those parts, better deserved a halter than his Highness' fee. There are omitted in the book Sir Thomas Curwen, the man of all others that can best serve in Cumberland, and whom Sir Thomas Wharton most trusts; Walter Strickland, who can serve with more men than any three in the book, a very toward young man and great friend of Wharton's; Thomas Faloghfeld, belonging to my lord of Cumberland, John Skelton of Branthwaite, and Chr. Wharton, brother to Sir Thomas. Writes at Sir Thomas' desire that these may have fees with the rest. Cumberland

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248. Norfolk to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

should be commanded to show effectual favour to Sir Thomas, of which he is in doubt. Hearing that the 'sizes of Cumberland are to be at Penrith and not at Carlisle, begs they may be changed. Penrith was the worst town in all the country at the last rebellion, and Norfolk caused nine persons to be hanged there, whereas Cromwell knows how Carlisle served. It were better Mr. Spilman and Jenney should ride 10 miles about than the one true town be discouraged and a false town cherished. Hears that at the business at Halifax there was found hidden in the vicar's house 1,300 marks, which he believes were treasure trove. Has sent for the parties, and will see that the King be no loser. Begs Cromwell will remember his suit by his servant Fulmerston touching the farms of Norfolk's lands of Snape and Alborough, as he knows how necessary they are for his house of Framlingham; also the farm of Folkyngham park which lord Hussey had. Is willing to forget displeasures to Gostwick, though he has had no small occasions. Hears by Fulmerston, who came from Kenninghall on Monday last, that his son of Surrey is very weak, his nature running from him abundantly. "He was in that case a great part of the last year, and as he showed me came to him for thought of my lord of Richmond, and now I think is come again by some other thought. He is there with his wife, which is an ill medicine for that purpose, and his being there doth not only cause many to resort to him to my charge, but also doth cause my deer not to be spared." Begs leave to send for him shortly. Has sent to Mr. Butts for his advice about him. York, 12 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Endd.*

249. The Borders.*

R. O. "A device for the sure keeping of the East and Middle Marches foranempst Scotland, Tyndale and Reedsdale, if it may so stand with the King's pleasure."

i. For the East Marches.

Sir Wm. Evers to be deputy warden with 200 mks. a year, and the following persons to assist him:—Sir Roger Graye, Sir Robt. Ellerker, Thos. Forster, Thos. Graye, Ralph Eldrington, John Carre, Thos. Heburne, Ric. Folberye, Edw. Mustians, John Selbye of Brankeston, Thos. Hoborn of Hoborn, Wm. Strodder, Lionel Gray, Thomas Carre:† — Sir Roger and Thomas Graye, and Ellerker at 20*l.*, the rest at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total for the East Marches [393*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Item 13*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.*]

ii. For the Middle Marches.

Sir John Wythrington to be deputy warden at 200 mks., and the following to assist him:—The lord Ogle, 50*l.*; Sir Cuthbert Ratclif, Sir John De Lavale, Sir Wm. Ogle, and Sir Reynold Carneby, at 20*l.*; Robt. Collingwood, John Ogle, Geo. Ogle, John Horsley, and John Ogle at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total [396*l.* 13*s.* 4d.]‡

iii. Certain men to be leaders and keepers of Tyndale and Riddesdale.

Roger Fenwicke and George Fenwicke at 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; and to have for their assistants these head men:—

(1.) Of Tyndale:—Edward and Cuthbert Charleton, Henry and Geoffrey Robson, Chr. and David Mylburn, at 10*l.* each.

* It would seem that the device for the East and Middle Marches, in which Roger Fenwick's name occurs, must have been drawn up in January (*see* Part I., No. 222), though that for the West Marches, drawn up in the same form, was probably in June. The papers, however, seem always to have been kept together, and are here conveniently placed after Norfolk's letter of the 12 July.

† This name is added in Wriothesley's hand.

‡ Crossed out.

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(2.) For Riddesdale:—John Haule of Otterburn, Sandy and Anthony Haule, at 10*l.* each.

Total of Tyndale and Riddesdale, 143*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Total, 813*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Pp. 3. *Endd. by Derby.*

R. O. 2. Draft of the preceding in Wriothesley's hand with some differences.

Pp. 3. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* The pensions of the East and Middle Marches; *also by Derby:* A minute of the device for the fees particular of the gentlemen of the East and Middle Marches.

R. O. 3. "A device for the sure keeping of the West Marches, and first for the deputation of a captain for the castle of Carlisle."

Sir Thomas Wentworth to be captain of Carlisle continually resident upon his office with a yearly fee of 300 mks. To have under him a deputy, a porter, and a sufficient number of soldiers. Sir Thomas Wharton to be deputy warden of the Marches resident on his office at the yearly stipend of 200 mks. Item, to know what officers he must have and their titles: he must have 4 lieutenants each at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year.

ii. "To be assistants to the deputy warden these gentlemen of Cumberland whose names ensueth."

Sir Wm. Musgrave, Sir John Lother, Sir John Lamplewe, Sir James Labourne, Sir Geoffrey Middleton, and Sir Richard Belyngeham at 10*l.*; and 27 others, amongst whom are Thomas Dacre at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, Edward Aigloby at 10*l.* and the rest at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, the last name being Thomas Clifford the bastard. Total 583*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

The earl of Cumberland to lie at Bromham (Brougham?), Sir Edward Musgrave to lie at Harteley Castle.

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R. O. 4. Draft of the preceding in Wriothesley's hand with corrections.

Pp. 2. *Endd.* (folio 48): The devices for the West Marches.

R. O. 5. Articles devised by the earl of Cumberland concerning as well divers offices to him given by the King's highness as other stewardships and leases of tithes, part for term of life and other for term of years and during pleasure.

[1. In case the offices of captain of the city and castle of Carlisle be divided and given to two persons, these things will be required for the captain, as well for the keeping of his horses and house as victualling of the same.]* 1. To have certain grounds of the King's lying without the walls of Carlisle called Broad Meadow, Sawcery, the Sawcery Stones, and the Swift Close for hay in winter and for grass for his horses in summer. 2. To have for the provender of his horses, provision of his house, and victualling of the city and castle, the tithes of Hoghton, Etterby, Botcherby, Penrith, and Langerby which be about the rent of 40*l.* a year. [3. The captain has for his fee 100 mks.; and for 20 horsemen, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* each.]* 4. For three porters or clavigers, 26*s.* 8*d.* each.

Which several fees are paid out of the King's lands called Queen's Hames, Englewood, and elsewhere, let to the warden of the West Marches.

ii. Things necessary for the warden.

The stewardships of the bp. and prior of Carlisle, the abbot of Holme and the prior of Wetheral; with a fee of 200 mks., payable by the sheriff of Cumberland, and 20*l.* by the chamberlains and treasurers of the King's Exchequer for 4 commissioners. "All which offices as well for term of life or otherwise I do refer to be at the King's pleasure."

Pp. 2. *Draft corrected by Wriothesley.*

* Cancelled.

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R. O. 6. "A device for the sure keeping of the King's West Marches foranempst Scotland."

1. Sir Thomas Wentworth to be captain of Carlisle; to be continually resident with a yearly fee of 100 mks.; and to have under him 20 horsemen at 20 nobles a year each. For his hay in winter and for his horse grass in summer, he shall have in farm certain grounds of the King's outside the walls of Carlisle called Broad Meadow, Sawcery, the Sawcery Stones, and the Swift Close, in all of the yearly rent of 5*l.* and 8*d.* Also to have in farm for provision of his house and for victualling of the city and castle of Carlisle and provender of his horses the tithes of Hoghton, Etterby, Bocherby, Penrith, and Langerby, about the rent of 40*l.* a year. For three porters or clavigers under him a yearly fee of 26*s.* 8*d.* to be paid out of the lands called Queen's Hames, Englewood, and elsewhere, now let to the warden of the Marches. 2. Sir Thomas Wharton to be deputy warden and continually resident, with a yearly fee of 200 mks. to be paid by the sheriff of Cumberland. To have four commissioners under him with a yearly fee of 5*l.* each, to be paid out of the Exchequer. And in order to have the men of the country under command, to have the stewardships of the bishop and prior of Carlisle, the abbot of Holme, and the prior of Wetherall. Also to have in farm the King's lands called Queen's Hames, Englewood, &c. 3. The following gentleman to assist the said deputy warden, viz.:—Sir Wm. Musgrave, Sir John Lether (Lowther), Thos. Sandford, Sir John Lamplewe, Sir John Lakurn (*sic*, for Sir Jas. Layburn), Sir Geoff. Mydleton, Sir Ric. Bellingham, Edw. Aigloby, and Ric. Duket, at 10*l.* each; Thos. Daker at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Chr. Crakenthorp, John Warcopp, Lancelot Lancastre, Gilb. Wharton, Hugh Machel, John Lighe, John Skelton, Thos. Dykes, John Thwates, Cuthb. Hutton, Wm. Hutton,* Thomas Blanderhasset, Chr. Thyrkell, Ric. Blanker*, Mug Musgrave, Ric. Englefeld, Alex. Appelbye, Rob. Boist, John Hutton,* Wm. Lancastre,* John Preston, Thos. Redman,* Thos. Clifford the Bastard, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* each.

"These five above crossed" (those marked with an asterisk) "had not their patents delivered, but since there have been other 6 appointed," viz.:—Sir Thos. Curwen, John a Musgrave, and Walter Strickland at 10*l.*; Chr. Wharton, Thos. Dalston, and John Skelton of Branthaite at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In Derby's hand, pp. 3. *Endd.*

Calig. B. III. 244. B. M. 7. Another copy of the same, with the same errors in the names in the third list; in which list also the names are bracketed together by another hand, with the names of certain officials, such as Tavernour, Huttoft, Godsalve, and Derby written opposite to them, and crosses or ciphers also added in the margin opposite each name.

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250. Officers on the Borders.

R. O. A list of officers on the Borders with their fees:—

[S]ir [W]illiam Ev[ers, deputy] warden of the [East Marches], Sir Roger Graye . . . . . , Sir Reynold Carnaby . . . . . , the same Sir Reynold as keeper of Tyndale, 20[*l.*], Sir Robert Ellercar, 20*l.*, Thomas Graye, 20*l.*, Thomas Foster, Rauf. Elderton, John Carr, Thomas Heybourne (Hepburn), Ric. Fowbery, Edward Muscheauns, and John Selby, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each.

* * * [Sir John Wytherin]gton, knt., deputy [warden of the] Middle Marches, 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, [the same Sir Jo]hn Wytherington [as leader of R]iddesdale, 26*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*, the lord Ogle, 50*l.*, Sir Cuthbert Ratlyff, 20*l.*, Sir John Dalavale, 20*l.*, Sir Wm. Ogle, 20*l.*, Robt. Collingwood, John Ogle of Kyrklaye, George Ogle, John Horsleye, and John Ogle of Ogle Castle, gents., 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each, John Halle of Otterburne, 10*l.*

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"Divers Remembrances to be m[ade with the King's Highness to know] his most gracious pleasure th[erein]."

First, touching Sir J. . . . . 2. Whether I am to give Sir Reynold Carnabye, who has Tassatt Hall and lands worth 40 marks or nigh 40*l.* a year, 40 m. a year according to the King's warrant? 3. Lyell Graye has 20*l.* a year as porter of Berwick; is he to have 20 m. extra? 4. Sir Robt. Ellercar has 40 m. a year as chamberlain of Berwick; to have 20*l.* extra? 5. Robt. Collingwood has 20 m. a year annuity; to have 20 m. extra? 6. John Horsleye has Bamburghe worth ——— (*blank*) a year, and now has 20 m. a year. To remember Thomas Graye.

ii. Similar list of officers [for the West Marches].

Sir Wm. M[usgrave], Sir John Lo[wther], Thomas Sandford, esq., Sir John Lamplo[ugh], Sir James [Layburn], Sir Jeffrey Myddelton, Sir Robt. Bellingham, Edward Aglionbye, esq., Ric. Dokett, gent., Sir Thomas Curwen, John Musgrave, and Walter Strykland, each 10*l.*, Thomas Daker, gent., Chr. Crakenthropp, 4 names lost by mutilation, [apparently those of John Warcopp, Lancelot Lancaster, Gilbert Wharton, and Hugh Machel, which appear in No. 249 (6)], John Lighe, John Skelton [of Branthwaite], Thomas Dykes, John Thwaytes, Cuthbert Hutton, Thomas Blanderhasset, Chr. Thyrkell, Mugge (Mungo) Musgrave, Ric. Englefeld, Alex. Appulbye, Rob. Boyst, John Preston, gent., and Thomas Clyfford the bastard, each 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Chr. Wharton, Thomas Dalson, John Skelton of [Armothwaite, each 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Sir Geo. Lawson, 20*l.*].

Pp. 6. *Badly mutilated.*

Endd. "Names and fees of the pensioners of the Borders—Lawson."

Calig. B. III. 203. B. M.

2. "The names of the deputy wardens and pensioners of the East and Middle Marches foranenst Scotland," being a list similar to the preceding, with some corrections by Wriothesley, and with five more names for the East Marches, viz.: Thos. Holboorne, Leonell Greye, Thos. Carre, Wm. Strudder, and Geo. Fenwyke. The name of Sir Reynold Carnaby in this list is an insertion in Wriothesley's hand.

ii. "A device for the sure keeping of the King's West Marches for anempst Scotland" as in 249 (6).

iii. "The lord President of the Diet, with the diets of the Councillors and of their servants limited to have feeding when they shall be present in his household," 800*l.*

Allowances to the bp. of Llandaff, "giving continual attendances," 20*l.*; to Sir Thos. Tempest, Sir Ralph Ellerker, and Rob. Bowes, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* each; to Sir Marmaduke Constable, Ric. Bellicis, and Thos. Fairfax, 20*l.* each; to Will. Bapthroppe and Rob. Chaloner, 50*l.* each; to John Wedall, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; and to a messenger, 20*l.*

iv. "The charges." *

"The diets of my lord of Durham [lord President of the King's Council in the North Parts],† with the fees of such persons as be joined in [the said] † Council with him, and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for a messenger," 1,220*l.* Mem. The charge of the keeping of the pledges of Tyndale and Ryddesdale must be also paid upon the bill of my lord of Durham and the Council; also the charge of posts.

Fees of the deputy wardens of the East and Middle Marches, with the pensions, 733*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*:—Of the West Marches, 326*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; besides which the captain of Carlisle has 204*l.* and Sir Geo. Lawson, 20*l.* [The above sums are corrected, the fee of the warden of the West Marches is given separately, at 153*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and a total given of 2,607*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*]

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* This title is written by Wriothesley in the margin. † Insertions.

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250. Officers on the Borders—*cont.*

Calig. B. II. 257. B. M. 3. "The names of the pensioners with their fees upon the East, Middle, and West Marches of England fore anempst Scotland," embracing all the names in the preceding lists, but not the "remembrances."

In this list asterisks are attached in the margin to the names of Sir Roger Gray, Thos. Graye, Lionel Graye, Rob. Collingwood (opposite whose name, however, the asterisk has been blotted and the word "stet" written), and John Horsleye.

Pp. 4. *Endd.*

R. O. 4. Names of the deputy wardens and pensioners of the East and Middle Marches, &c. with fees as in § 1, with additional allowances of 24*l.* to each deputy warden for 2 deputies and 2 serjeants.

The pensioners of the West Marches, with the exception of Sir William Musgrave, whose name is altogether omitted, are here placed under the Middle Marches.

Fair copy, pp. 4. *Endd.:* The names of the pensioners of the Borders with their fees.

R. O. 5. Draft list similar to the preceding in form, but setting forth a new scheme, viz.:—

Middle Marches:—Sir John Withrington, deputy warden, 200 mks., the lord Ogle, 50*l.*, Sir Cuthbert Ratlif, Sir John de Lavarr (Dalavale), and Sir W. Ogle, 20*l.* each, Robert Collingwood, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, John Ogle of Kyrklaye, George Ogle, John Horselay, and John Ogle, 6*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* each, the same Sir John Witherington* as leader and keeper of Tynedale, 40 mks., Sir Reynold Carnaby† as leader and keeper of Ryddesdale, 40 mks., John Haull of Otterburn, 10*l.*

East Marches:—Sir Wm. Evers, deputy, 200 mks., Sir Roger Grey, Sir Robert Ellerker, and Thos. Grey, 20*l.* each, Thos. Forster, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, Ralph Elderton, John Carr, Thos. Heyborn, Ric. Fowbery, Edw. Muschans, John Selby, Thos. Holborn, Lionel Grey, Thos. Carr, and Wm. Strudder, 6*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* each, George Fenwyk,‡ 10*l.*

Corrected draft, p. 1. *Endd.*

12 July. **251.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Sends three pasties of a red deer baked without lard by Harold's wife. Mr. Gonson had the stag of my lord Privy Seal and gave it me. Hopes soon to supply him with venison or warrants. London, 12 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

12 July. **252.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle

R. O. I have received your letter by the bearer touching the restitution of the 15 lasts of herrings belonging to Christopher Frel, taken in January last by Oliver Wauran about which there has been an appeal by the party adverse to Frel to the parliament of Paris, in which I have no power. I have shown your letter in presence of your servant to the Admiral's lieutenant, to expedite the affair of Jean Edwyn, who promises that the parties shall produce their titles in three days.

I will make search for the man of whom you wrote, who was servant of Jean Tove, and send him to you and do such justice as you shall think right. Boulogne, 12 July. *Signed.*

Fr., pp. 2. *Add.:* at Calais.

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* Witherington's name is substituted for that of Sir Roger Fenwyk, who was only to have had 20 marks.

† Substituted for Geo. Fenwyk, who was only to have had 20 marks.

‡ Substituted for Reynold Carnaby.

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12 July. **253.** CHRISTIAN III. to JAMES V.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger, IV. 59.

On behalf of Reinold Mure, a Scotchman living at Schien in Norway. He was intending to go to England with a cargo of timber and hides, but while waiting for a wind at Fleckerore, his ship was taken by a French vessel equipped by Sieur de Rocheppot governor of Picardy. The ship is said to have been taken to "your Majesty's kingdom." Asks for redress. Copenhagen, 12 July 1537.

P.S.—Two years ago Mure found the ship was at St. Walery where it is still detained. Threatens to arrest French ships in reprisal.

Lat., Headed: "Christian III. litteræ intercessoriæ pro Reinoldo Mure ad Jacobum V. scriptæ (sed retentæ et mutatis mutandis ad Franciscum I. missæ ?)"

13 July. **254.** SIR THOS. WHARTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

To the greatest comfort he ever had, my lord Lieutenant delivered to him at York, 13 July, the King's patent and indenture of the office of deputy warden of the West Marches with his most comfortable letters and Cromwell's also. Expresses his devotion. When settled in the office will give Cromwell his opinion as requested. Is more anxious for the inhabiting of noblemen and gentlemen near these parts where the King's service lies than for his own advancement. York, 13 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 July. **255.** JOHN BISHOP OF BANGOR to DR. BULKELEY.

R. O.

Thanks for his good news. You say my lord Privy Seal thinks my diocese was never visited by the King's authority except superficially, and that it is not so ordered as other dioceses for excluding idolatry, &c.; also that his lordship is offended at the incestuous and abominable living both of priests and laymen therein; that Dr. Vichan, who you say will do little good, labors sore to be one of the commissaries, but, on the other hand, that application is made to you to be one who would take care that my clergy were not overcharged, but that you would remit much due to yourself for the good service you did to the King as proctor of the diocese before. I think the former visitors did their duty, else they should be brought to examination. "They took no superficial procurations but substantial and large." And since that time, last year, my visitation was kept and what the comperts be I know. I trust condign punishment is taken on all abominable offenders as if I were there myself. I look shortly for my chancellor here by whom I shall know more. Will instruct him fully when he goes back and hopes to satisfy my lord Privy Seal. Northstonham, 13 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To Dr. Bulkeley, one of the masters of the Chancery. *Endd.*

14 July. **256.** JOHN GOSTWYK to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have called before me Foxley and Coxston for the debts of Jas. Hill. Foxley seemed reasonable, offering 2 years' day of payment for 60*l.*; but Hill says he only owes him 24*l.* received of him in [on ?] plate which he had pledged to Broke "of the Boores in Estchepe" "till he should have money for 12 ton of wine, which the said James had in shift of the said Foxley." Found Foxley extreme and unwilling to abate one groat. Thought it best he and John Brooke should go before Cromwell. Cokeston is willing to forbear till Mich. come twelvemonth. Cacheman, Tadlowe, and Platt are also reasonable, provided Hill can get securities; and Mr. Gresham and Smyth of the Exchequer will enter into bond for him for Cromwell's sake. Be good lord to my old acquaintance the prior of Tynemouth. The valuation made of his monastery in the time of Mr. Bellesses is much more than it is now

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worth; and since then the last prior has given away over 200 marks in annuities; yet he is willing to compound for your lordship's favour by a grant under the convent seal of St. Alban's like his predecessors. Desires instructions about the 400 marks to be delivered for Mr. Brabason in Ireland and 200*l.* more to be delivered; also, as the coiners are now half idle, whether he shall receive such plate as remains with Thos. Thakker to be coined. London, Saturday. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* lord Cromwell, lord of the Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* Mr. Gostwyk xiiij July.

14 July. R. O. **257.** JEHAN ANGO to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

I have received your letter complaining that a galleon of Dieppe has taken a passenger from Dover named Pierre Janson. In presence of Jacques Groutier, who has presented me with your letter, I have called before me those who took your man and they say the said Jenson's wife has taken in recompense in another English passenger boat a merchant of Gascony and fearing you would cause him to be delivered she has sent him to Flesingue. They also say that the servant who was taken with the said Jamson is lawful prize. I am sorry that such things occur so frequently between us. At the request of the English, the King my master has addressed a commission to the first and second president of Rouen to take cognizance of all English matters. Dieppe, 14 July. *Signed.*

As to the hoys, which are gone "aux boys pour vous," I will issue an order not to touch them. As to the safe conduct that I gave I delivered it, as for a Fleming, not being informed of what you had written. I have not seen anything of those of whom you wrote, who have brought me the letters, for they were delivered by Jacques Groutier.

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

15 July. R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 377. **258.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

These two fellows of St. John's, Cambridge, wish to show their statutes touching the election of a master to Cromwell. Doubts not that by a word, he can make Master Day* or any (one) else eligible, as Mr. Nevell, yet fellow of the same college can show. They have great need of his favour in many suits and traverses. Reminds him of Clare Hall, that the Master† neither transgress the statute, nor bring into the room Mr. Swynbourne‡ of the same house, a man of perverse judgment and too factious for such a cure. Mr. Nevell will give him a bill of the gravaments of two or three of the fellows most given to good letters. Prays God to send Cromwell hither shortly again, that Latimer may go home to his diocese. My lord of York has done right well at Paul's Cross touching the supremacy, and as touching condemnation of the rebels, as well or better than before. Hears that Dr. Barnes preached a very good sermon in London to-day, with great moderation and temperance.

Sends "a bullock" which he found amongst his bulls, that he may see how closely in times past foreign prelates practised about their prey. "If a man had leisure to try out who was king in those days, and what matters were in hand, perchance a man might guess what manner a thing *illud secretum quod nosti* was. Such cloked conveyance they had."

Sub diem Swythineum.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* George Day, S. T. P., who was admitted master of St. John's College, 27 July 1537.

† John Crayford or Crawford, S. T. P.

‡ Roland Swynburne who appears to have been Crayford's successor in 1539.

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15 July. R. O. **259.** THOMAS POPE to CROMWELL.

It shall like your lordship to move the King to sign my bill. I have no gain in my office but my fee, above which I must spend yearly 200 mks. There is none of his Grace's auditors within our Court but have as much as I, "being an head officer." Mr. Long has another bill of mine to deliver unto your lordship, lest that you had should be lost. I shall deserve your pains so that your lordship shall not think them employed on an "ingrate" person. London, 15 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 July. R. O. **260.** JOHN LORD FITZWARREN to CROMWELL.

According to Cromwell's pleasure has instructed Mr. Asshton and Mr. Mynne, the King's auditors, of his expenses at the insurrection in the North. The bearer has a bill thereof signed by them, which he asks Cromwell to confirm, and to order a letter to be sent to Gostwyke to deliver it. The said sum is but a parcel of his charges, but it will be a great comfort to him for the repayment of his creditors, who are daily calling upon him. Desires credence for his servant the bearer. Dorneford, 15 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

15 July. R. O. **261.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

In behalf of John Aske, brother to Robert Aske late executed at York. He was with Norfolk at his brother's execution and has shown himself a right honest man to the King. He would have repaired to Cromwell to sue in person, but is so diseased that he cannot ride 10 miles a day. His tenants in Hampshire and Sussex detain his rents and he wishes a letter from Cromwell to make them pay. Sheriffhutton, 15 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 July. R. O. **262.** ROBERT SOWTHWELL to [NORFOLK].

"I most humbly beseech your good Grace to address your Grace's letters to my lord Privy Seal" with speed for the coming up of Edgare, auditor to the late earl of Northumberland, who attends on my said lord [Privy Seal] at the Court. For we must "gressom" the tenants according to the custom here; and Edgare has the books. I beg your Grace to send for the said auditor, whose presence is necessary. Lample, 15 July. *Signed.*

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[16 July.] R. O. **263.** HENRY VIII. to the DEAN AND CHAPTER OF WINDSOR.

Desiring them on the promotion of Dr. Heynes to the deanery of Exeter (as he is still indebted to the King for the firstfruits of his prebend at Windsor) to grant him by deed under their signatures, that in case he shall be resident 37 days in the year he may enjoy the whole portion of a resident canon till Michaelmas 1540.

Corrected draft, p. 1.

16 July. R. O. **264.** HENRY ABBOT OF WARDON to ANTONY ROUS, Treasurer to the DUKE OF NORFOLK.

Reminds him of his suit to him at London to devise with my lord of Rutland to have a steward in the house to receive the profits and pay the charges, with a stipend to the abbot for his living. Two of his monks, who have put him to great trouble by maintenance, should then know that the

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264. HENRY ABBOT OF WARDON to ANTONY ROUL, Treasurer to the DUKE OF NORFOLK—*cont.*

goods of the house are bestowed by the ministration of others, and the abbot will not be suspected. Could not speak with my lord, as he was sick. On coming home made Mr. Gostewike a book of the receipts and charges and told him which of the monks were best to be deputed to have the ordering thereof. He made good semblance that he was contented therewith. Thought thereby to have purchased much quiet, but by false packing it has turned to more trouble than ever. Gostewikke, who never loved him, has suddenly without his knowledge obtained a commission to Master Lucke and Master Fissher, and these two monks who are his enemies, to sequester the goods of the monastery, moveable and immoveable. Does not know what they will do with him, for no man lays anything to him why they should do thus. Has showed this to Master Brian, and he has written a letter to the lord Privy Seal at Guildford to stay the commission, but he does not know what will be done. "The rumour of the clubbisshe country grieveth me more than the thing itself." Asks him to write a letter in his favour to the lord Privy Seal to be delivered by his brother George Rous. Wardon, 16 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

16 July. **265.** ANDREW LUTTRELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your late letters in favour of Monsieur Pynto for bringing a certain lady from Portugal hither, he is here arrived with her goods, which are esteemed at no small sum. I have perceived, by the conveyance of her goods by night and the receiving of her person and company certain distance from the port I was appointed to, "that such secret things wrought in her said conveyance that neither my ship nor mariners hereafter can use their trade of merchandise thither without danger," as the bearer can inform you. I desire your assistance in case of trouble, and also your advice. Dunster, 16 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

16 July. **266.** ANTHOINE DU BAILLE to SIR THOS. PALMER.

R. O. In answer to your letter of the 8th, I send you my horse, which I hope will be serviceable though not of very great value. That it is not in better condition is because its master had no money to spend on it. Noeufville and I are at your service. No news but what you know; "mais en brief temps, Therouanne Bourguignon, vous yray veoir et vous en conteray la vraye verité des assallans et des deffendans." *Signed.*

P.S.—Has been offered 32 g. cr. for his horse.*

P. 1. *Add.:* A mon treshonnoré [Se]igneur, Mons. [le] Capitaine Palme, Portier de la ville de Callais, a Caillais.

17 July. **267.** CROMWELL to [the COUNCIL OF CALAIS].

Cleop. E. IV. 44. B. M. The King is informed that there are two priests in that town, Sir Wm. Minstreley, now in ward, and Sir Wm. Richard, otherwise called Good Sir William, and desires you to send them both here in custody. He marvels to hear of the papistical fashion still maintained in that town, and chiefly by you who are of his Majesty's council. He thinks that you have little respect to him, and desires me to intimate to you that if such abuses be winked at, he will put others in the best of your rooms. It is thought against all reason that the prayers of women and their fond flickerings move you to this. If

* At the bottom of the page is written in a different hand "B. voir dittre (?)."

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you think any extremity in this writing, you must thank yourselves for having procured it, for you have taken no notice of my many letters, which, considering the place that I am in, I thought an injury. I have done nothing more than the King thought meet, perhaps not so much. Sutton, 17 Ju ly. *Signed.*

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17 July. **268.** Abp. Lee to Cromwell.

R.O. Thinks in time of vacation* he may present to such benefices as be of the bp.'s gift, as one of his predecessors did to a benefice of the bp. of Durham's gift while the see was void. So if Cromwell will send Mr. Adison to him, will make the presentation to him. Desires to know his pleasure about Dr. Waldebye's prebend. Begs him to remember the benefice of Byngham in Mr. Stapleton's gift, which is meet for a good clerk to reside and preach. Newynton, 17 July 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

17 July. **269.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Received his letter and the warrant by Hercules. Will send the two pair of hose and is glad he has received the 100*l.* Will signify his pleasure to my lord Privy Seal concerning the passage, which he will doubtless see remedied. Now the King's ships go abroad, they will not be so "homly," or else they will be shent. Must have patience for the long suit. No one has dared to come near the Court "by reason of the proclamation, for they fear death; howbeit there is not so sore death as they speak of." Jas. Crane left on Thursday for my lord of Norfolk in the North with the King's letters, and will be back in 20 days. I bore all his charges, and my lord Privy Seal says I shall be reimbursed, but I scant believe it. It shall not be lost for fault of asking. My lord Privy Seal's son and heir shall shortly marry my lady Owtrede, my lord Beauchamp's sister. The bishops cannot yet agree. I send you three pasties of red deer in Philip Crayer's ship. St. Katharine's, 17 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

270. James Crane.

R. O. Money disbursed by me, John Husee, when your Lordship† sent me to James Crane, 4 July 29 Hen. VIII., viz., travelling expenses to Gravesend, Rochester, Canterbury, and Calais, including the hire of a fisher boat to bring James Crane over, landing (with him) at Dover and his costs in London afterwards "till your Lordship sent him to my lord of Norfolk." Total, 44*s.* 8*d.*

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17 July. **271.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. The Queen thanks you for the quails. Those sent hereafter should be fat, or they are not worth thanks. We have now peas and cherries. I delivered your token to my lord Privy Seal, who says he longs not a little to hear that your ladyship has a boy. Your ambergris was right, but is old. I delivered also the wine to my lord of Sussex, and would not for three times the value it had been omitted. He was very thankful, and so was my lady his wife for her token, and Mr. Staynings and my lady's maids, who are all anxious to hear of your delivery. My good lady of Rutland thanks you for your kindness. As to the matter you wished me to propose to her, she says there is no help for it, the party must lose her estate and take the degree of her wedlock; but the king of heralds has promised me an

* Referring to the voidance of the see of Carlisle. † Cromwell.

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271. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

opinion. Mrs. Coffin, Mrs. Margery, Mrs. Lilgrave, and Colpeper thank you for your tokens. All those you send by Powes are delivered, unless he had any to my lady Wallop, who is in Hampshire. The little diamond you sent to her I have forwarded by her servant, Randall Revells. On Thursday last the Queen at dinner, while eating the quails, spoke of your ladyship and your daughters before my lady Rutland and my lady Sussex, who talked of them in such a way that she promised to take one of your daughters. The matter is thus arranged that you shall send them both over, that her Grace may see them herself, and take which she pleases. They must be sent over about six weeks hence. You need not spend much on them till you know which her Grace will have. They will only require two "honest changes," the one of satin the other of damask. At their coming the one will be put in my lady of Rutland's chamber, the other in my lady of Sussex's, and when it is known which the Queen will have, the other will be put with the duchess of Suffolk. The Queen, however, will give her nothing but wages and livery. Suggests advice to be given to them, and apologises for doing so. Her ladyship knows the Court is full of pride, envy, indignation, and mocking. I can hear nothing yet of the cups for conserve. Those that my lady Fitzwilliams had were brought out of Levant. John Davy was gone or I came. Mr. Degory Graynfyld is here and is going to Calais. Hyde's man is so far out of the way that I trust we shall do nothing in sale. In all other things I have good comfort; but I would fain be rid of my long suit. As for your weir, there is yet no time. "The Queen goeth with placard not laced." I sent by Annes Woddroff 3 baskets, 1 cage for quails, with two "trows," and 2½ yards cloth for Mr. Bassett's coat. No news but that the King's journey North is dashed. When he next removes he goes from Hampton Court to Oking. God make you a glad mother in time of a jolly boy. London, 17 July.

Hol, pp. 3. *Add.*

17 July **272.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have received your sundry letters, with one for Mr. Hore, who is in Suffolk and Norfolk and has not been at home these 20 days. I have delivered it to one who promised to see it conveyed, and at his coming home I will solicit with him for the poor priest. I will show my lord of Hertford's servant that you have received the cramp-rings. I will present the 6 dozen quails to Mr. Sywiyard, and send word to Mr. Skerne of those for him, for he is gone home to his wife. I thank you for the coat cloth and so does Warley. I am glad you have got a man for your chamber, for the man I spake for is in service with my lord of Cumberland. Your weir is not forgotten, but time must be tarried as the world goes now. I wrote that I presented the 2 dozen quails to Mr. Sywllyard, because they were not worth presenting to the Queen. If you send any, they should be fat ones, culled out one by one. I spoke yesterday with him that married Mrs. Alys and he promised I shall have the cushion next week. I send you Chr. Campion's reckoning. If you write to him I think he will tarry till Michaelmas. I expect Bery to bring me word that your ladyship is delivered of two jolly boys. St. Katharine's, 17 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

17 July. **273.** THOS. RAYNOLDE, Priest, to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Commendations to lord Lisle. Thanks her for writing to Dr. Chambre in his favour. There is no man living who does more for a poor man than the doctor does for him. Has cost him, since coming home, above 40 mks. By his goodness is one of the Queen's chaplains and daily puts him to charges. If lord Lisle or she have any other friends about the King or

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Queen, as he is sure they have many now, a good word may do him great pleasure. We are all much obliged for the money sent from Mr. Worth to Mr. Buclere. For his part, it is as sure as if it were in his purse. Has no news but what the bearer can tell. London, 17 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

17 July. **274.** Thomas Pope to Cromwell.

R. O. According to your letters, I have made shift for the dispatch of 340*l.* to Mr. Gunson on the King's warrant. I have paid Robt. Lord all his warrant save 500*l.*, which he shall have as soon as money cometh in. Mr. Pexsall is dead, so I am now clerk of the Crown of the Chancery. Begging your Lordship to remember the augmentation of my fee, and I will recompense your pains. Send word whether you intend to meddle with my lord of Huntingdon. I would have waited on your Lordship, but attend upon Mr. Horwood for making sure of Chartessey and the bp. of Canterbury's lands. London, 17 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 July. **275.** Sir Fras. Bryan to Cromwell.

R. O. I received sundry letters both from your Lordship and from the Council for the reformation of these shoemakers, and have reported what I have done in consequence. The Sheriff committed 6 of the principals to gaol, who were brought up at the assizes on Monday last at Little Brykkell, before lord Baldwin, Sir John Dauncy, myself, and 6 or 7 other justices, when these six, with five others who were let to bail, were indicted of a riot. They will remain in gaol till the King's pleasure is known. For anything we can find, the assembly was made neither for ballad nor song, but only for a fray between one of the shoemakers of Stony Stratford and the organ-player of the town. I advised lord Baldwin, however, to make inquiry at Bedford, showing him how I wrote to Sir Will. Gasguyne. But I think the country in such good stay that no further inquiry need be made. I cannot see what way the King can come to Grafton. I hear they die at Reading, and am sure they do at Thame and also within a mile of Mr. Williams' house at Buckingham. The King might come from Esthampstead to Bishops Owburne, thence to Berkhampstead, 12 miles, thence to Eston, my lady Bray's, 7 miles, for neither my Lord nor my Lady is at home. Then to Whaddon, 7 miles, and thence to Grafton, 7 miles. These houses would be sufficient for the King as the Queen is not coming, "and, thanked be God, all clerear as yt" (clear air as yet). They die at Tosseter very sore. Orders should be given that none of the King's servants nor of the town "come there." Stony Stratford, Northampton, Brickhill, Hanslap, Olney, Newport Panell, Woburn, Dunstable, St. Albans, Ampthill, Hitchin, and Hertford, are as yet clear, Tyddington somewhat infected. If the King please, he may go from Ampthill to Hitchin, and so to Hertford, and on to Hunsdon. Wolbarton, 17 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 July. **276.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.

R. O. Talking lately of Mr. Wrothe, deceased, that was attorney of the Duchy, learnt that he has a right toward young gentleman unto his son and heir, Cromwell's ward and kinsman. Makes overtures for the marriage of one of his daughters to this youth. Has had good marriages offered for his children, and has concluded for one.

Need not tell how slenderly he is furnished with the King's money; his last letters to Cromwell show it. The second payment of the subsidy is in some places unassessed, in others ungathered, in divers "the stretes" not delivered to the collectors, and in many places the money kept in the

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collectors' hands. So he is like to get little more than he has, "which may be near half," before next term. What he shall have next year, "after the subsidy expired," unless the 15th and 10th, which always used to come from tellers of the Receipt to the treasurer of the Chamber, he cannot imagine. Portgore, 18 July 1537.

My daughter is 16 years old and upwards; her picture made when she was 12 years I can send your Lordship. If your Lordship determine upon her I will do as largely as another.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 July. **277.** Ed. Gostwyk to John Ap Rice.

R. O. We have been with my lord of Carmarthen, where we had the best cheer of any house within walls. When I make up my certificate to Mr. Chancellor* I shall certify how like a worshipful man the said prior behaved concerning plate, jewels, &c. He concealed nothing, and yet we made as much search as we could. "The first Commissioners were in the blame that the house was under the sum," for the prior put in a book above 209*l.* 13*s.*† Be a suitor for him, and I will certify the truth. Carmarthen, 18 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. John Apprice at London. *Endd.*

18 July. **278.** G. Earl of Shrewsbury to Cromwell.

R. O. Understands by a letter from his chaplain, Sir John Moreton, Cromwell's desire of a red deer. It is hard in these parts to get any good stag yet, but sends for the present ten pasties of a tame hind fed in the house with corn by a kinsman of his. Wynfeld, 18 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 July. **279.** Henry Earl of Cumberland to Cromwell.

R. O. Hears by his servant the bearer that Cromwell has been notified by the Commissioners in the North that the Earl's convent seal which he had of Furness is invalid. It is so, but he obtained letters from Cromwell to have the same in farm during term of the lease, which has been confirmed under seal of the Augmentation. Desires expedition of this, as he lies here at great cost. Shendley, 18 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

18 July. **280.** Sir R. Carnaby to the [Duke of Norfolk,] Lord-Lieutenant.

Calig. B. III. 197. B. M. On Tuesday the 17th the persons whose names are enclosed appeared before Sir Cuthbert Ratcliff at Hexham, demanding redress of the people of Tyndale, who objected to the spoilers "having" the oath. Edward and Cuthbert Charlton acted reasonably. Thinks there is something, however, that sticks in their stomachs. The former proposes to leave his son for a hostage at Hexham. The boy is but 13 years old, and will be more sufficient pledge than a tenant. Hexham, 18 July.

P. 1. *Add.:* "To my lord lieutenant's right noble grace." *Endd.:* "Helmesley, xxv. July. Mr. Ray Carnaby."

18 July. **281.** The Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland to Henry VIII.

Add. MS. 19,865, f. 2. B. M. In behalf of Edmund Sexten, late mayor of Limerick, in whose favour some of the Council lately wrote, reporting the good service he had done in the journey to O'Brien's Bridge, and in practising with O'Brien and James

* Of the Augmentations. † *See* Vol. X., No. 1246.

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of Desmont. Dublin, 18 July. Signatures (as transcribed):—Leonard Grey.—John Barwell (Barnwell), your Grace's Chancellor.—Geo. Dubline.—John Rauss (Rauson), prior of Kilminam.—Willm. Brabazon.—Gerald Aylmer, Justic.—Thomas Lutterell, Justic.—Patrick Finglas, Barron.—Thomas Houth, Justic.—Patrick Whit, Baron.

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18 July. **282.** Frater Nicolaus to Henry VIII.

Vit. B. xiv. 247. B. M.

Begs the King to allow him to retain the benefice and collegiate office (*sacerdotium ac collegium*)* which his Majesty gave him. Is prevented coming to England by trouble and illness, but will come next month. 18 July, M.D. [xxxvii.].† *Signed.*

Lat. Mutilated. Add.: ". . . . no H. Regi." *Endd.*

Ibid. f. 249.

2. The Same to Cromwell.

On the same subject. x[viij. Julii, m]dxxxvij. *Signed.* Frater Nicolaus de Florentia.

Lat. Mutilated. Add. Endd.

19 July. **283.** Richard Layton, Priest, to Wriothesley.

R. O.

I thank you for my bill assigned, and will not forget your pains therein. My lord Chancellor, at the contemplation of my Lord‡, immediately sealed the bill. Tell my Lord so; I have forgotten it in my letter. This morning Mr. Garter came to me and willed me to make labour to be registrar of the Garter, which office Dr. Aldryge had; if you will move my Lord to speak to the King for me, I shall be further bound unto you. It were as good one of my Lord's friends had it, and I am apt enough. London, 19 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Wrysley. *Endd.:* Dr. Layton.

284. Ric. Layton, Priest, to Wriothesley.

R. O.

Continue good master unto my servant for the obtainment of the bailliwick; "seeing you have full grant of two of them there can be no doubt of the third, if ye will therein a little travell." I enclose a token, which I would were a thousand pounds. From my house in Warwyke Layne, this morning, ready to ride.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Wrisley. *Sealed. Endd.*

[19 July ?] **285.** John Gostwyk to Cromwell.

R. O.

I have received the plate of Thos. Thakker, and put it to coining, except certain parcels (described) amounting to 579 oz. remaining to your lordship's use, which was Sir Rob. Constable's plate. I have spoken with Foxley about Hill's debts, but without effect. Hill cannot be delivered, because Ric. Gressham and Smyth of the Exchequer are not in town. The bearer has a lease of a farm belonging to the priory of St. Mary Spittell let by the parson of Barnet, which I find has been craftily handled between the said prior and parson. I refer the matter to you. Please let me go home, for no part of this city is so sore infected as where I lie. The late sergeant of the Catry hath sick in his house adjoining mine. Thursday morning. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

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* He was reader in King Henry VIII.'s College, Oxford. *See* Vol. V., No. 1181; Vol. VI., No. 75.

† Supplied from modern marginal note. ‡ Cromwell.

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19 July. **286.** CHRISTOPHER BARKER, Garter, to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have received your letter to have your hatchments prepared. I wish to know your mind for your arms I last devised, if ye will have them put in your banner, and for your mantles of blue velvet with your surcoat of crimson velvet and lining. 19 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

19 July. **287.** JOHN TRAVERS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has advertised the King of what he has seen in this camp and about the town. Wants more money for a horse and harness, to be among them; otherwise must go to St. Tomers or Arey. Desires to know the King's pleasure by bearer. Reminds Cromwell of his suit for a living. At the camp before Torwin, 19 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

20 July. **288.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires a lease of the demesne lands of the Charter House in the
C.'s Letters, 337. isle of Axholme for his friend Henry Stoketh. Lambeth, 20 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 July. **289.** EDWARD BISHOP OF HEREFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letters of the 17th. Will make out the collation of
St. P. I. 555. Moreton for Thos. Soulimont.* Since Ogle is to depart thus from his benefices begs that he may be delivered from prison and allowed a pension out of them Unless he be deprived, the surest way for his successor would be that he should be first liberated and then make a spontaneous resignation before the bp. Spoke of this to Cromwell at Stepney; but as he is not likely soon to return begs to know his pleasure by bearer.

As to the finishing of our matters of religion, had got all things ready against Tuesday last and is sorry Cromwell was not there as he intended. Did the best they could in his absence; subscribed all their books and will send them to-morrow. There wanteth nothing but certain notes on the Creed, on which they are agreed. Await the King's pleasure about going to press and about the prefaces, whether the book† shall go forth in his name or that of the Bishops. If Wriothesley be ordered to devise them, will do his best for their speedy setting forth. Is willing to correct the press till the worst be past. Sent to Morison for the Latin protestation, but he was gone to Cromwell. London, this Friday.

Hol. Add.: lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My lord Heref. xx° Julii.

20 July. **290.** WILLIAM ARNOLLD, ABBOT OF MIRAVALL, to CROMWELL.

R. O. His convent have received Cromwell's letters for them to lease Newhouse grange for 60 years, under convent seal to Ric. Cromwell, his lordship's nephew. Lord Ferrez their founder, on coming to the Court as he intends to do shortly, will bring the said lease and convent seal. Cromwell's aid before prevented the suit of Mr. Robt. Fynderyn for the said grange, which could not have been spared, because they had leased other pastures to divers at Mr. Richard Cromwell's request. They beg his lordship to ponder this. Miravall, 20 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* According to Hardy's Le Neve, "Thomas Colemount" was collated to the prebend of Moreton Magna in Hereford on the 23 July 1534. The name seems to be an error for Solemount, and the year for 1537.

† "The Institution of a Christian man," printed by Berthelet in 1537.

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20 July. **291.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received this morning by his servant Thos. Hussy Cromwell's letter of the 17th. Thanks Cromwell for his kindness to his said servant. As to the words of Aske to Norfolk before his death in presence of Thirlby and Curren, never took them otherwise than Cromwell does; for surely if he had thought so maliciously as Aske said he would not have made him privy thereunto. Will not be remiss about such news out of Scotland as Cromwell writes of. As to Evers, no man has more cause to be angry with him if the letter was written by his consent; but as he denies it, saying he can neither read nor write more than his own name, thinks the truth can be found by him that wrote the same. If the writer be in these parts, wishes to have the original, which he will return safely. Unless Evers can clearly purge himself he shall be better hence than here. Cromwell need not trouble himself about a false dissembling boy. There is that doth much disguise with us, and so the world was, is and shall be with those who most meddle with their masters' affairs and do their duty best. Has nearly come to the opinion that Sutton, steward of Sion, used to express, *non est amplius fides super terram*, has had so many false matters contrived upon him. As to the money found in the vicar of Halifax's woodyard; he is now here with Norfolk. Has got him to send for it by Norfolk's messengers. Before he came, asked Babthorp and Chaloner about the law of the matter, and they think unless he can prove the goods his they are the King's. Will examine all his witnesses as soon as possible, and keep him here meanwhile without speaking to any one but such as Norfolk appoints. Will send the money to the King and, after examining the witnesses, give him licence to sue. Will obey Cromwell about Gostwick, as he wrote. As to sending John Heron hither, begs he may remain there till the Duke send for him. If it has not been already laid to his charge that he consented to the murder, he should be encouraged to hope to be soon at liberty, so that his son and Cuthbert Charlton, who has married his daughter, shall suspect the less; but if he has been already accused he must be so kept that he send no knowledge thereof to these parts. As to the taking of the Charltons, they are in such strong ground and so near Liddersdale that if the Scots will receipt them they cannot be taken. Thinks, therefore, as he has instructed Thomas Hussy to show, the matter should be dissembled till they have heard what the Scotch ambassador will say, who sent word 20 days ago that he would have been here before now. As Dr. Maltby is excepted, will take his goods into his hands. Sends a letter from Robert Southwell; it is very necessary the auditor were with him. Has sent for such goods as remained at Topcliff, the late earl of Northumberland's house. They are of little value and not one good cartload. The rest in going towards London was arrested by Sir William Fairfax for the Earl's debts to the King, Sir William being so charged when he was sheriff. Does not know the names of the most notable offenders to be excepted from the pardon, except by report. Has long since advertised Cromwell of those he has heard, and sends another list with these. If there be space in the schedule for some more to be put in by the Duke and the Council here it will do no harm. Has had divers conferences with James Crane, lately sent to him by Cromwell, always having two or three of the Council with him. Does not believe his statements, as he mentions places near Scarborough that do not exist, and can name no witnesses. Has sent him, however, along the coasts with a sure, wise, secret gentleman named Ralph Hongate to find the places where he says the false knaves should be, and return to me without disclosing anything. As to the song of my lord of Wiltshire's minstrel, begs Cromwell to write to him in a letter apart that such and such men heard him say that he had sung it before the Duke, and that the Duke was privy thereto. Will then, after convicting him by his own confession, as he has already denied it, order him so that he shall be afraid hereafter to sing songs of any gentlemen with-

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out their knowledge, "and if his master heard the same and did not advertise me thereof, as he did not, *Judas non dormit*, though I have not deserved it to him, as ye know." Is extremely grateful that he is to be recalled before winter. Those that saw what came from him on Wednesday night, as the two doctors and Wodall, would say he had good cause to take them for friends that would shortly get him hence. No man can be more joyful at the prospect of soon coming to his master's presence, and if the ambassador of Scotland shall come thither perhaps no harm will come of the Duke's being there, though his abode be right short. Would be sorry to leave without doing his best for the punishment of Fenwick's murder.

Forgot to write fully his mind about the pardon. It should be limited to 20 February, and no word in the exception of the Herons or Charltons for their offences of the murder which was done on the 3rd of March; so there is no need to except them or those that James Crane has accused, as both offences have occurred since. Sent Cromwell's letters at once to Mr. Pollard and Mr. Tempest. By his servant, Scarlet, the bearer, Cromwell will receive Sir Thos. Wharton's indenture of office, and the other patents and letters to gentlemen of those parts. Cannot be surprised that the King and Cromwell have still some mistrust of the inhabitants of these parts, if Evers be proved false. If the Duke were as young and lusty as he was 30 years ago, he would remain here. He that wished authority of those his sovereign did not trust would be a fool. Begs Cromwell to get him discharged. Will never come again on this side Trent out of his Highness' company except against his enemies. Cromwell would wonder if he knew how much Norfolk has been urged to ask for lands of the earl of Northumberland's and so be inhabited here. Desires remembrances to the King and Queen, and prays God to send her what all true Englishmen desire. Sheriff Hutton, 20 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 6. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

ii. The list enclosed.

Names to be excepted out of the King's pardon:—Ric. Wilson and Wm. Woodmancie, of Beverley, ———* Marshall, late parish clerk of Beswike, Wm. Waflyn and ———* Leche, of Lincolnshire, ———* Bradford and ———* Paris, monks, late of Salley, Roger Hertelpole, monk, late of Jerveaulx, ———* Helaigh, canon, late of Coram, Edw. Myddelton, Henry King and Simon Marshall, of Masseham, ———* Esch, friar of St. Roberts of Knaresborough, Nich. Musgrave, ———* friar of Appulby, John Prestman of Lyllesdale Hall, John Prestman, son of Wm. Prestman of Helnesley, Dr. Marmaduke Walby, ———* Towneley, late chancellor to the bp. of Carlisle, and the late prior of the White Friars of Doncaster.

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20 July. **292.** RICHARD COREN to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 557.

Excuses his slack letters by his absence from my lord of Norfolk at the expedition of the last post. Was present at Aske's execution, as well as at that of Sir Robert Constable, which no doubt Thomas Hossy has described. Noted in both men "that they thought a religion to keep secret between God and them certain things rather than open their whole stomach; from the which opinion I could not abduce them." For Robert Aske's demeanour, refers to the schedule enclosed. Sherifhoton, 20 July.

ii.† Goods which Robert Aske had during the commotion, whereof no satisfaction is made, to his remembrance.

* Blank. † Not printed in S. P.

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First, Mr. Lacy sent to him to Hull 10*l.* of Dr. Halsworth's goods, and an obligation of the abbot of Kirkstead, Linc., which the subprior of Watton had. 2. The vicar of Braton sent him 10 sheep and 30*s.*, but of whose goods he knows not. 3. Had sent from Drake Abbey to Wresill 10 or 12 qrs. of oats and 3 qrs. of wheat. 4. From Wato[n], 40 sheep. 5. Had of Mr. Krake's goods, sheep to the value of 4*l.* 10*s.* Thinks that is all he had, "not given and not restored," and begs the King to pay them out of his goods for the discharge of his conscience.

In Aske's hand and subscribed: "This is Ask's own hand delivered unto me, Richard Coren."

St. P. I. 558. iii. "The saying of Robert Aske to me, Richard Coren, out of confession to-for his death.

"First, he said that my lord Darcy did tell him that he had spoken with themperor's ambassador concerning his purpose in this late rebellion, for the causes of the Church, as he said, and that the said ambassador should encourage him unto the same, saying that he should lack none help."

2. Lord Darcy, Sir Robt. Constable, and he were about to send Doctor Marmaduke to the Council in Flanders for aid and ordnance.

3. That my lord Privy Seal "did not bear so great favour to my lord of Norfolk as he thought he did; which thing I have kept secret from my said lord of Norfolk."

4. When he "should be" laid on the hurdle to be drawn he openly confessed he had offended God, the King, and the world. After this he declared that the King was so gracious that none should be troubled for offences comprised in the pardon. He was then laid on the hurdle and drawn through the notable places of the city "desiring the people ever as he passed by to pray for him."

5. At the place of execution he was taken off the hurdle, repeated like confession, and ascended up into the dungeon to wait the coming of my lord of Norfolk.

6. "Item, there were two things, wherewithal he was aggrieved. The one was, that he said my lord Privy Seal spake a sore word and affirmed it with a stomach, swearing that all the Northern men were but traitors: wherewithal he was somewhat offended. The second was that my lord Privy Seal sundry times promised him a pardon of his life, and at one time he had a token from the King's Majesty of pardon for confessing the truth. These two things he showed to no man in these North parts, as he said, but to me only; which I have and will ever keep secret."

7. At Norfolk's arrival Aske ascended the tower to the gallows, repeated his former confession and asked forgiveness of the King, my lord Chancellor, my lord of Norfolk, my lord Privy Seal, my lord of Sussex, and all the world; and after orisons made on the ladder, commended his soul to God.

Pp. 5. *All in Coren's hand, except* § ii. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed and endd.*

21 July. **293.** CRANMER to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. v. 52. B. M. C.'s Letters, 337. I and other bishops and learned men have almost made an end of our determinations, having subscribed the declarations of the Pater Noster, Ave Maria, Creed and Ten Commandments, and there remaineth only certain notes of the Creed, to which we are agreed to subscribe on Monday next. When all are subscribed I pray that I may know whether to send them incontinently to you or leave them with my lord of Herteforde to be delivered when next he comes to Court. Beseeching your lordship's intercession to the King for us all, that we may have licence to depart until his further pleasure; for they die almost everywhere in London, Westminster, and Lambeth. "They die at my gate, even at the next house to me." I would fain see the King, but fear

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293. CRANMER to [CROMWELL]—*cont.*

I shall not, because I come from this smoky air; yet I would gladly know the King's pleasure. Where you granted me licence to visit my diocese this year I beg your letters to Dr. Peter to put that in my commission. I beg you not to forget to be a suitor concerning "mine exchange" and especially for the remission of the debts I still owe the King. Lambeth, 21 July.

I pray your advice how to order in my visitation such as have transgressed the King's injunctions. *Signed.*

P.S.—*In his own hand.* Send word whether I shall examine the vicar of Croydon in this presence of the bishops and other learned men a nd how I shall order him.

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21 July. **294.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

The letter printed in State Papers I. 552 seems to belong to another year. See note in Parker Society's edition of Cranmer's Letters, p. 392.

[21 July.] **295.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 563. L.'s Remains, p. 379.

To-day, Saturday, would have finished the rest of the book* if my lord of Harford had not been diseased. On Monday it will be done, and then my lord of Canterbury will send it to Cromwell. Prays that it be well and sufficiently done, so that there will be no need to have any more such doings. Had rather be poor parson of poor Kynton again than continue thus bishop of Worcester,—"not for any thing that I have had to do therein, or can do, but yet forsooth it is a troubleous thing to agree upon a doctrine in things of such controversy, with judgments of such diversity, every man (I trust) meaning well, and yet not all meaning one way. But I doubt not, but now in the end, we shall agree both one with another, and all with the truth, though some will then marvel." If there is anything uncertain or impure, hopes the King will *expurgare quicquid est veteris fermenti,* or at least give it some note, that it may appear that he perceives it, though he tolerates it for a time, so giving place, for a season, to the frailty and gross capacity of his subjects.

Two of his keeper's folks have died out of his gate house, and three are yet there with raw sores. Nevell has just told him his under cook is sick, probably of the plague.

Refers Dr. King's matter to his knowledge of justice and to the use of his charity. As touching *Defensor Fidei,* thinks that title due to the King.

"As for my lord of Haylles, I fear will be too cookett now, with his great authority and promotion. His friends can jest upon such a bishop that can with complaining promote, and would he should complain more, but I wot what I intended. Let those jest at large."

Thos. Gybson the bearer, wishes to have the printing of the book. He is an honest poor man, and will set it forth in a good letter and sell it good cheap, whereas others sell too dear, which lets many to buy. Dr. Crom and other friends asked him to write in his favour.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

296. DR. HENRY KYNG to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thanks him for his mercy. Was imprisoned almost a whole year, rather of malice and false suspicion than for any offence. Received by the bp. of Worcester, a letter from Cromwell for the recovery of his goods

* "The Institution of a Christian Man," which was printed by Berthelet in 1537. It was popularly called "the Bishop's Book," as setting forth the determinations of the bishops. *See* Cranmer's letter, No. 293.

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detained by Mr. George Blunte. Showed Cromwell's letter, and after three weeks of entreaty, got part of the goods, but Blunt still detains the rest. Had money and was determined to send for his capacity, but all is spent in prison. Begs succour.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 July. **297.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Was yesterday at Windsor, where my lord Privy Seal promised him that he would on Monday next be with the King and trusted verily to rid Husee before he left him. As to the Frenchmen and Flemings, who are so busy with the passengers, he says an order shall be taken sooner than Lisle will think. Supposes he meant that Sir John Dudley with the King's ships will remedy that matter. There is a rumour of the capture of Turwyn; but it never came in my creed. If the Burgundians speed well, let your Lordship's be the first news; for their success is very well taken. Harald has bought for your Lordship two Spanish skins which he will bring to Calais himself. Will give him two pair of hosen for Lisle. Pexall that was clerk of the Crown is dead, and Pope succeeds to his place. Will write on his return from Court. St. Katharine's, 21 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

21 July. **298.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have delivered the six doz. quails to Mr Swyliard's woman, because Mr. Swyliard is at the Court. His servant has since conveyed me his thanks to your Ladyship, stating that he will always be glad to hear that his pupil Mr. Basset did well. The other dozen I left with a woman to keep till I should hear from Mr. Skerne, who is in the country at Mr. Danastre's. I have been to-day with Mr. Popley about your weir, which he promises to remember, and if any have grants, your Ladyship shall be one of the first. I will ride for your cushion myself one day next week. I have been once at Court, but the commandment was so strict that I could deliver none of your tokens. I have orders however from my lord Privy Seal to be there on Monday. My lady Rutland is at her house at Endvilde. One of her gentlemen is dead of the plague, but I will see her next week. Your Ladyship would not believe how much the Queen is afraid of the sickness; yet the mortality is not so great as last year, for there died in London last week but 112. I send you Campion's reckoning. You might write him some gentle letter. The quail cage I delivered to Agnes Woodruff. As to my Lord's long suit, I can only trust my lord Privy Seal's goodness to see it despatched. No news worth penning. I look for your Ladyship's good delivery. St. Katharine's, 21 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

21 July. **299.** THOMAS THACKER to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have received for your Lordship from my lord Steward, by "Mr. Morton, his chaplain," a hind baken in 10 pasties, with a letter herein enclosed. If you wish to write to my lord Steward, the bearer, Mr. Morton's servant, departs from London on Wednesday morning. I have received of Thomas Lame to your Lordship's use certain parcels of plate (crosses, candlesticks, censers, chalices, &c. of silver gilt, with their weights specified, in all 222½ oz.). Your household at Friar Augustines are in good health. Your place by Friar Augustines, 21 July.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Of the receipt of red deer baked, from the earl of Shrewsbury, &c.

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21 July. **300.** Richard Tomyow to Cromwell.

R. O. Has done what Cromwell told him at Windsor, about putting servants to board wages. Miles, Purser, and Nik have since come home. Has no doubt that he intends the first to stay in his house for ordering of Wm. Myllet and Thos. Whalley. Purser wishes to tarry, affirming that he has never had the disease surmised to Cromwell.

Nik wishes to visit his parents in Farneham. Is half afraid to allow him, knowing his will, wit, and aptitude to fall into evil company, by reason whereof Cromwell might chance to be destitute of a rebeck, having none for that instrument but him. Stays him till he knows Cromwell's will. John Hunt wishes to know to whom are to be committed 14 couple of hounds, which he had in charge. Mortlake, where Mr. Gregory and the servants are all well, Saturday morning, 21 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 July. **301.** Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a bill presented to him by Alexander Carvanell, deputy searcher to Peter Grisling of Trewrew in Cornwall. The effect of the bill is that the master of the *Mawdelyn* of Trewrew, through the counsel of three priests, feigning "a poopehollye pilgrymage" to a pardon in Brittany, would not permit the deputy searcher to search the ship nor Fitzwilliam's deputy of the Admiralty to do his duty. As he who presented the bill seems to be a simple busy person, thought it better that the matter should be examined by his deputy and Mr. Goodalphyn before any further business is made therein. Sends a letter to them which he has devised in Cromwell's name and his own, that he may sign it if he approves. Guldeford Manor, 21 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My Lord Admiral.

21 July. **302.** William Lucy to the Bishop of Worcester.

R. O. Yesterday, being Friday, Lucy was at Warwick where was assize and gaol delivery, intending to tell the judges, Mr. Feharbarde and Mr. Luke, what had been done in the case of Sir Edw. Large, priest. But William Clapton had been before him and so prejudiced the judges that Mr. Feharbarde refused to hear him and threatened to put him up as accessory. Lucy gave a paper of the confession of those of the parish of Stratford, of which he sends a copy, examined by Mr. John Grevyll and Mr. Combes, to Grevyll to present to the judges. Grevyll did so, when Mr. Feharbarde said "he was a jolly fellow indeed that would give evidence against the King." Finally, six or seven of Stratford were got to swear they had heard the priest speak such words and, as no evidence was allowed, I hear they have indicted him both of treason and heresy. Desires the Bishop "to ponder what malice may doo" and not shrink from the case. The bearer, Lucy's servant, can tell all about it. It is entirely through the procurement of Wm. Clapton that the matter has gone so against the priest, and Lucy doubts not but that, if the case comes before the lord Privy Seal, it will "turn to his (Clapton's) shame." It is because the priest has spoken against things they were of long time accustomed to that engenders such rancour and malice in their hearts. Lucy, by meddling in the matter, has drawn on himself the displeasure of most men, both in Stratford and in all that country and of the most part of the gentlemen of that shire; but he cares not.

Desires the Bishop to procure that the matter may be called before the lord Privy Seal and that Wm. Clapton be called up too. Lucy will never again meddle in a case of the kind: both he and Mr. Combes will hold themselves ready to come before the lord Privy Seal and give evidence. Yesterday Clapton delivered to Mr. Combes the Bishop's letter to Lucy,

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desiring him to set Coton at liberty. This was already done. Lucy returned from London on a Friday and on Saturday, when showing the lord Privy Seal's letter, he mentioned it to John Grevyll and they agreed that Coton should be released. Grevyll and he sent Combes with a letter to the gaoler to bring Coton to Hampton on the Sunday; which being done, Coton confessed his fault and sorrow before divers of the parish and of Stratford. Wishes the Bishop to call the priest before him or to send Dr. Taylur—for he mistrusts the Bishop's chancellor. 21 July.

Hol., pp. 7. *Add.*

303. William Lucy to [Cromwell].

R. O. Sir Edw. Large, priest, was first indicted 10 April, at the sessions at Warwick. Tenor of indictment set forth, accusing him of having openly said in his church at Hampton Episcopi, 2 April 28 Hen. VIII.: "All those that use to say our Lady's sawter shall be damned;" and also that the Ember days were named after one "Imber," a paramour of a certain bishop of Rome. The foreman of the quest, Thos. Bager, being examined, 2 July 29 Hen. VIII., before John Grevyll, Will. Lucy, and John Combes, the King's commissioners, confessed that neither he nor the jury had any evidence against the priest from witnesses sworn upon a book, but only from the noise in the country. Yet, on this, Large was sent to prison till, on Cromwell's letters to the under-sheriff, four men stood bail for his appearance at the next sessions, which was the 29th May. That day he was remanded till the assizes, but meanwhile Cromwell's commission came to Grevyll, Combes, and the writer, who, sitting at Stretforde 2 July, had Ric. Coton brought before them; whose confession as to the words he had said to the priest in the pulpit the writers delivered to Cromwell. Committed him to prison. Master Will. Clapton offered to become his surety; at which we marvelled, as he was privy to your Lordship's letters. Coton desired us to be good to him. He evidently considered me and Combes "the causers of this thing." Promised to do all I could for him, but blamed him for using such words to the priest in the pulpit. He confessed he had done wrong, and was sorry. We committed him to the custody of the bailly of Stratford, with orders that he should be brought up at Warwick. At his further examination Thomas Baiar (Bager), the foreman of the quest appointed to try Large, was questioned by Grevyll and threatened with punishment in Warwick jail for condemning Large without evidence. He justified himself by saying that the case was notorious, and that on the same morning a bill was posted at Stratford with divers honest men's names in it, testifying to the truth of the accusation. On calling for this bill, "with much ado at length came ii. men of Stratford, whose names be Thomas Waterman and John Geoffreys," who answered that they had heard these words spoken, and so did more than they. "Then I told them that if they heard him speak those words I was sure they could rehearse upon what occason he spoke those words." They answered that they were poor men, and could not carry away a whole sermon, but they heard these words. I said, as the preacher was two hours in the pulpit at least, they might remember more. Clapton urged that there were other witnesses in Stratford, but that they were afraid to speak the truth for fear of Lucy. In the end, the two men were required to be sworn upon a book, who answered they would be loth to swear upon a book, for hitherto in all their lives they had never sworn upon a book "for no sych matter." On their being threatened that what they said should be certified to the King's Council the bailly of Stratford desired the commissioners to be good unto them, and said he was sure they would be loth to come before the King's grace's Council. The writer then proceeds to say that he wrote to the bp. of Worcester to be a suitor "unto your Lordship for Coton that he might ii. or iii. market days there at Stratford acknowledge his fault in the

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303. William Lucy to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

market place," and caution others of the same misorder. This created a dispute between himself and Clapton, who urged that Coton had been sufficiently punished already; and a great feud, of which the details are given at length, rose up between them. Clapton, on the market day at Stratford, Thursday, 4 July, came into the chapel of the guild and persuaded many of the townsmen to set their hands to a bill against Large, with the exception of John Lightfoot, a baker, who refused. In this bill the priest was charged with having preached that Christ did not die for us who live now, but only for those who died before His Incarnation; and that it was the peers of the realm in those days, high and learned men who put him to death, "as you see how their heads go off now daily." Lucy then came up to London with the commissioners' report, and explained all the facts above-mentioned to the bp. of Worcester, and on his return Coton was brought before him and the other commissioners to acknowledge his fault openly in the church of Hampton Bishop. On this the men of Stratford made such a great suit to divers gentlemen of the shire that at the assizes Master Fitzharbarde, one of the judges, openly reproved Lucy for being meddlesome; "at which words they of Stratford much rejoiced." The writer concludes a very long letter by justifying the priest from the charge brought against him, and by criminating Clapton as the chief mover in the whole disturbance; "his only object being to obtain the men of Stratford's goodwill and favour in the enterprise hereoff."

Pp. 22. *Written entirely in Lucy's hand, but signed by himself Grevyll and Combes. Endd.:* The copy of the indictment, &c.

21 July. **304.** The Mayor and Burgesses of King's Lynne to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for obtaining the King's charter unto us of our liberties. We have of late received your letters, in eschewing debate betwixt the duke of Suffolk and us by reason of the patent of stewardship of the courts in Len granted unto him by the late bp. of Norwich, not to put out Henry Baker who has kept the courts there since the decease of the late bishop. Baker has kept the courts here ever since the liberties of the said bishop came to the King by Act of Parliament, and men might think he kept them by his old authority. We shall now make suit to the Duke to have his assent in our liberties. We will continue his yearly fee of 5*l.*, which he had in the time of the late bishop, and desire your letters to his grace in our favour. One Wm. Hastyngs, who has a grant from the King of the bailliwick of Lyn, pretends to arrest and serve all processes in the town. We require that some direction may be taken therein. King's Lenn, 21 July. *No signatures.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

21 July. **305.** Sir Robert Wingfield to Cromwell.

R. O. Wrote last on the 20th, enclosing letters of various dates from Torwane. Sends with these letters written the same day, late in the evening, at St. Omer's. The same evening his nephew John arrived, who will return in two or three days. He will change his lodging in the camp to avoid danger. Sends by him to his nephew Halle the money "your lordship appointed to Sir Brian Tuke," which he has had much ado to provide. Calais, 21 July 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Haules lettres of the xx^th^ of July.

21 July. **306.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter demanding restoration of one named Clay Neutz, called Baertz, who was taken prisoner with the other two whom I

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caused to be restored to you on your writing to me. Since their restoration sure information has been given to me that they were taken on Burgundian land and pursued on to English ground by the men of the garrison of Autinghes. I appeal to you if you would do the same if they had been men of ours pursued by the Burgundians, and I think I should do wrong to send him back under these circumstances. As to the despatch of Oswyn Edwyn, his "parties" have been condemned to restore to him all his merchandise without appeal. Boulogne, 21 July. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

21 July. **307.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Has not written of late any news from court or camp, being busied about a matter between the Merchants Adventurers, and the town of Antwerp; but before coming hither set all things at such a stay as he trusts will be satisfactory. The Queen removed hither from Eyre on the 19th. Desired news of her by the way, having heard of one that escaped from Turwyn. She said there was little news, but I should hear more next Sunday. Perceives they intended to have given the assault yesterday, but were countermined by those of Turwyn, who thrust a javelin into their mine under the Red bulwark. Rode yesterday to the camp and visited all the mines and trenches, marvellous to his inexperience. Went by the trenches so near the Red bulwark that he might have laid a morrespike upon the walls. There must be lack of powder in the town, else they dream. During the five hours he was there could not see 20 persons and not more than three shots were fired from the town. Could see within the walls from the Green bulwark on a hill north of the town where a pair of gallows stands. Thinks those of the camp have not yet damaged the town much. Describes bridges made of fir trees, &c. Fears they will not get it this journey; which he will regret, as my lords Beure and Ystelsteyn, who have the greatest charge have done him so much pleasure. The Queen at Eyre desired to have seen the camp, but the Council would not consent. "She hath as good a stomach as any woman can have. If she had power thereunto the French were in great possibility to keep a cold Christmas." Found at the camp Francis Hall and Travis, whom he instructed to certify the King of all occurrences. St. Thomeres, 21 July.

Hol., pp. 3. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

21 July. **308.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. On receiving the instructions in Wriothesley's letters to reside continually with the Queen, came hither with all diligence and has ever since been at the camp. Transcribes his letter to the King. Corrects a mistake therein about the javelin in the mine, which was not recovered by those of the camp but plucked in again by the French. St. Omer's, 21 July.

Hol., pp. 4. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

21 July. **309.** JOHN HUTTON to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. On receipt of his letter of the 6th, left Antwerp at once for the court, which is now at St. Omer's. Will follow the Queen till otherwise commanded. Met her coming from Eyre, on his arrival half a mile from the town, and on asking her the news she told him they were small, but she hoped I should hear more before Sunday night. She said on Tuesday a man of Turwyn leaped the ditch and came to the earl of Bewre, who reports that the town is well supplied except with wine and forage for horses. Intends to ride to the camp this day, whereupon he may write to the King and my lord St. Omer's, 21 July.

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309. JOHN HUTTON to WRIOTHESLEY—*cont.*

On his return from the camp, finding the bearer not departed, writes to the King and my lord Privy Seal. Hopes his letters henceforth will be the first news the King receives.

Hol., pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.:* To the right worshipful **Mr. Thomas** Wriothesley at the Rolls. *Endd.*

21 July. **310.** CARD. POLE to CARD. CONTARINI.

Poli Epp. II. 73. Has read his letters to Priolus of 10 June, evidently written before he knew of their coming to Liege. Here they seem safe enough, thanks to God and to the bishop of Liege, but if they leave in any direction they would be in the same straits as before, unless the Pope first obtain for them a free passage from the princes through whose territory they must go. As to the indignity of remaining, his former two letters to the Pope and Contarini answer that. Will obey the Pope in all things. His own judgment, however, and the course of events in England urge him to remain.

Sends copy of letters which an Englishman, a good man here studying at Louvain, has sent him. Asks his opinion of them. Is somewhat ashamed that he did not of himself discuss with the Pope this thing, which can more assist the cause than those censures and curses (*execrationes*) or any of the schemes Pole thought of. If these prayers have been a great aid against the Turk without, much more ought they to be against that within. Refers to Priolus for the rest.

Had written so far when he received the Pope's letters which show that all the preceding arguments have been wasted labour, for they recall him at once. Sends what he has written, however, to show that he is determined to obey the Pope. The Reverend Prothonotary, in writing to the bp. of Verona, would have them start without waiting for their passport from King Ferdinand, trusting only in the letters written to the nuncio with that King. The wound is too recent, which they received from trusting too much in the words of the Emperor's ambassador as to their passage to Flanders, to allow them to put so much trust either in words or letters. Verona has gone to consult the bishop of Liege. Through France there is absolutely no hope of a passage as the King has said he has been pressed by too much ill will with the adversary of the cause, for allowing the former passage; and to go there of themselves would be to incur the former difficulties, for all their troubles have been in France and Flanders. Liege, 21 July 1537.

Seconds what Priolus has written on Verona's account, that he may stop at his see of Verona and not be compelled to go on to Rome.

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Ib. 77. 2. Extract from the letters to card. Pole from the English student at Louvain mentioned above.

Learnt gladly from this messenger that Pole would stay some months and winter in these parts, because the affairs of the British church and his own country seem to demand it, &c.* What health is to be expected there where Lee and Tunstall, otherwise most grave and learned men, take the lead in vomiting lies from the pulpit and impugn the decrees of the holiest fathers, &c.* Suggests that the Pope should appoint a universal fast of four days for some Thursday to Sunday, when the priests might pray with the people everywhere to God to restore peace to the Church, recalling the Germans and Britons to the unity of the Church and converting or punishing the King, the counsellors of that discord, and the authors of this schism, &c.* How will it touch our merchants, of whom some deride the venerable Eucharist and most jest at the Pope's authority, and abuse his name, if at

* The "&c." in all these places is in the original.

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Antwerp and elsewhere they see a fast appointed for Britain as a branch broken off from the true vine? How will Cromwell be put to shame on seeing this; who has always assured the King that the rest of the princes would imitate his most prudent counsel, and would usurp the title of heads of their several churches, &c.* Would wish that some book were printed, showing from Holy Scripture and the Fathers the difference between royal and papal authority; to confute that book which was published in Britain some years ago on the same subject, composed by those who seem to have set themselves to corrupt and darken the truth. In this book the reason of Pole's journey and embassy might be explained, and other things treated in an apostolic spirit which should make for the the peace of the church. Such a book would benefit not only Britain but the universal Church; for be sure what Pole writes privately to the King and his counsellors is only received with laughter. They are wilful and selfish men.

Latin.

21 July. **311.** PAUL III. to FERDINAND KING OF THE ROMANS.

Baronius, xxxii. 456.

Is recalling his legate, card. Pole, now at Liege, where his longer stay is useless, and he is in continual danger from the snares of his enemies. Asks him to write to the abp. of Cologne and other [rulers] of Germany to assist the cardinal in his journey. Rome, at St. Mark's, 21 July 1537, pont. 3.

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21 July. **312.** CARD. CONTARINI to CARD. POLE.

Poli Epp. II 79.

Binus your servant has told me a post will leave in an hour. Received your letters and those of Priolus the day before yesterday, when also I spoke to the Pope for letters to the King of the Romans, French king, and abp. of Cologne for your safe return. The business was referred to Blosius, who will send you the letters. The ambassadors of the Emperor, king of the Romans, and French king are also requested to write for the same. The Pope much prefers the return through France to that through Germany, and so do I. We are oppressed with great heat, which, however our Galeatius renders much less troublesome. A great Turkish fleet and an army with the King (*cum Rege*)† have come to Aulon or Vallonia, and we daily expect to hear that they have crossed to Italy. Musters of foot are being made. Theatinus and Sadoletus send commendations. Rome, 21 July 1537.

Latin.

22 July. **313.** LORD DARCY.

Ashm. MS. 1109 f. 63 b. (No. 135.)

"The degrading of Thomas late lord Darcy, a° 29 Hen. VIII. the 22nd day of July."

From the Ashmole Catalogue.

22 July. **314.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 340.

The bearer, Mr. Tybbold, who has exercised his study in Almain these two or three years, brought letters and books to the King from Capito and Monsterus. If the King wishes to reward them for their pains and good hearts, he is returning thither. He is a very honest man, and both loved and trusted by the learned men there. Asks Cromwell to give him his passport and favourable letters to the ports for his passage and safe conduct. Lambeth, 22 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

* The "&c." in all these places is in the original.

† Meaning apparently Barbarossa.

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315. Cranmer to Wolfgang Capito.

C.'s Letters, 340.

I presented to the King the treatise* you dedicated to him, and I think he received it with pleasure. On my suggesting it he promised to recompense your labours. Soon after the bp. of Hereford and I were with Cromwell, the lord Privy Seal, and urged him to remind his Majesty, who has accordingly ordered the bearer to take with him 100 cr. for you. Do you still wish to know if your gift was acceptable? Well, what I have learned is this: the King commonly hands over books of this kind which he has not the patience to read himself to one of his lords in waiting for perusal, from whom he afterwards learns the contents. He then gives them to some one else of an opposite way of thinking. After hearing all their criticisms he declares his own judgment. This I understand he has done with your book, and while much pleased with many things, disapproved of some—I suspect the statements about the Mass. For myself I wish I could serve you. Please help the bearer, Thos. Tybald.

Latin.

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316. The Vicar of Halifax.

R. O.

The sayings of Sir Henry Savell, 22 July 29 Henry VIII. (in answer to the interrogatories in No. 369 (6)).

1. That three years ago and more the vicar showed him that he had at London 800*l.* to purchase Rodis haull.

2. That he had in his keeping 884*l.* or else 896*l.* in gold which he delivered again to the said doctor in Passion week immediately after the assizes at York at which the vicar was accused of treason, which he remembers was in Passion week, 27 Henry VIII. 3. At the time the said doctor should have purchased the manor of Rodis hall in co. York of Ric. Fermour, merchant of London, he knew of the said money. 4. The vicar told him when he went to London before the Rebellion that he had hid the said money in the corner of a parlour of his at Halifax and covered it with chips. Also he wrote to him thereof from London as appears by his letters dated 6 Nov. last, which show that there was more money there than the said Sir Henry had previously in keeping. Declared to John and Hugh Lacy where the said money was hid before it was delivered again to the vicar by way of confession, and how much there was, viz., 1,025*l.* 5. This question is answered in the previous article, and he further says that the vicar told him that Mawd's wife, sister to the said vicar, knew of the hiding of the money, and where it was. 6. Since the vicar's last going to London, which was between Easter and Whitsuntide last. And it contains 400*l.* and odd money, which the said Sir Henry says is at London in the keeping of a friend. 7. This book is this present day sent by John Uvedale to my lord Lieutenant. *Signed:* Henry Sayvylle k.

ii. Richard Lister of Halifax deposes that he was never privy to any matter contained in any of the articles except that the vicar, when he delivered the said sums of money to Sir Henry Savell, delivered also to him 86*l.* in English gold coin to keep to his use, which money he is ready to deliver to my lord Lieutenant.

iii. Agnes Mawde, sister to the said vicar, deposes that he has several times shown her in years past that he had great sums of money from his father to bestow in deeds of charity, as in finding of scholars at Oxford, and of 2 chantries and a free school at Halifax, but the amount she cannot tell. 2. She has seen some of his money at divers times, but never so much as she saw when the pot was hid. 3. She and her son Edward Mawde were

* "Responsio de Missa, Matrimonio et jure Magistratus in Religionem." The dedication bears date "Argentorati, vii idus Martii anno MDXXXVII." The date 1537 is also on the title-page. It was printed at Strasburg.

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with the vicar when the brass pot with little short feet, almost full of gold, was hid under the stair within the vicarage of Halifax, within 10 or 12 days after the said vicar had been at York at the assizes in Lent was 12 months, but whether it was before or after Easter she knows not. 4. Never knew where he kept it before that time. 5. Nor of the hiding of this money or any other money of his till now. 6. Never had any money of his in keeping, but had sometimes a girdle, a hat, a kirtle, or 40*d.*, sometimes more, sometimes less, of him to make good cheer. 7. This last article does not touch her.

iv. Edward Mawde. 1. Was his servant 20 years and knew and partly saw that the vicar had much money, but cannot tell the sure sum. 2. Saw money of his divers times when he was his servant. 3. Well near 20 years ago. 4. When the vicar was chancellor of Worcester his money was kept sometimes in the abbey there and sometimes in his own chamber. 5. Never knew of the hiding of his said money till it was hid under the stair in the vicarage. 6. This money, which is 125*l.*, now in his hands, was delivered to him by the vicar since Easter last, but he had of him 20*l.* more, which he laid out in divers things for his own profit, and is ready to satisfy the same at divers days when the vicar shall require it.

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* vicar of Halifax.

22 July. R. O. **317.** JOHN CHAMBRE to LADY LISLE.

I have received my Lord's and your kind letter in behalf of Mr. Reynold, for whom I shall do my best. Westminster, 22 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

22 July. R. O. **318.** RIC. DAWNSYE to LADY LISLE.

Thanks for manifold kindness. Her fear that the Queen does not favour her is groundless. She has spoken of her and wished for her divers times since she departed hence. Thanks her for her kindness to William Pooll. Asks her to remember Pooll when there is a vacant room at Calais. Windsor, 22 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

22 July. R. O. **319.** [HALL] to SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD.

(*First leaf wanting.*) —"in the lack and necessity that it seems to be, there can be none other thought but that both the parties shall lack money to maintain any longer as now their malicious quarrels, not only for all that the estates of all these the Emperor's countries within these four days at Eeyry willed the Queen, but commaunde (*sic*) for money, *par aschevaunce*, to maintain and go through with these commenced wars, but also that the French King hath no such power anything like in aredynes as was hinted to be with the Dolphyn and the Great Master about Hesdynge." We have no knowledge yet that they have there, as pretended, 15,000 Almains, 25,000 foot of their own subjects, and 10,000 Swiss, besides horsemen and 40 pieces of great artillery. "And if this town he left now, let it then continually remain for a scourge for all this country." There has been much shooting this night past by moonlight on both sides, and alarm on the side towards the Great Master's "leager," but it is so "rathe" now I cannot write what has been done. I did not expect to have written so much, "and therefore you shall receive this my letter in two pieces. Written in great haste this Sunday in the morning very raathe," 22 July 1537. *Not signed.*

In Francis Hall's hand, p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

22 July R. O. **320.** THE TURKISH FLEET.

"Copia di una lettera di Levante scritta per Meser Erasmo."

Has written of our successes, among others of the capture of 10 Saracens (?) (*Schirrassy*) on the 14th, laden with victuals for the armada of the Turk

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which is still in Vallona. About 300 slaves were found in them. On the 19th, between Le Merlere and Gasopoli, we took two Turkish galleys, which we brought to land and took 100 slaves. The rest were massacred by the Albanians. That same day we took a galeot at sea with more than 100 slaves, very well furnished both with rowers and men of war. All which except the galeot were burned after the artillery was taken out. Hearing that there were vessels laden with victuals coming from the Levant, we left Le Merlere and making for Cephalonia passed outside Corfu on the 20th, when we descried seven sails, which proved to be galleys of the Knights of St. John. They informed us that in Paregha (Parga), near the channel, were 20 vessels with the Moor, *i.e.*, 12 galleys, the rest foists and galeots. On this we made for land to sleep in Paregha, 10 miles from the galleys. Engaged them next morning, and after an hour's fight gained the victory, but with much loss on our side. The captain, Antonio Doria, is wounded by an arrow in the knee; Zanetino in the side. The master of [the] *Aquila*, Geronimo San Remo has three harquebus wounds in the arms. Pasquelino, master of *La Marchese*, had an arrow in his neck. All the galleys have been much injured. The Prince* and I are well. We have news of the arrival of 25 vessels laden with victuals in Modone, and his Excellency intended to go thither, but I fear we cannot.

News of preparations in Gallipoli. Thinks the Turks suspect us of being leagued with the Venetian galleys, in number 43. Of the 12 galleys taken one is sunk; the others, it was whispered, were to be burned piecemeal, but we may take them to Messina. The Prince intends going to Apuglia while the galleys are being refitted. The Venetian galleys are 43 or 47 in number, and are at Corfu without having spoken with us.

Corfu, "da Sapebranco," 22 July.

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[23 July.] **321.** John Babyngton to Cromwell.

R. O. Pardon my not coming to you myself, but, knowing the King's pleasure "that none that come in London shall resort unto the Court," I have sent my servant Thomas Mandevylle, who only yesternight came to me out of Notts, asking your pleasure on the articles enclosed. Whoever wrote the letter, I think, would the King no goodness, and what privy treason may be manifested hereby God may well provide; praying you not to be too piteous of those who would be without pity for you and yours if they might overcome you. I marvel Chr. Lassels has concealed this so long. London.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 2. "The saying of George Lassels, of Styrtun in com. of Nott., esquire, to me, John Babyngton, the 19th day of July in the 29 year of our sovereign lord the King's Grace."

"The said George coming to me to St. Giles' in the Field, said, 'Mr. Babyngton, there was perilous packing amongst us which showed to be the King's friends in the commotion at Doncaster, which I did not know afore now,' for his cousin, Chr. Lassels, that was in the Tower with Aske, newly hath showed it to him in great counsel. And I asked him what that was, and he said some one, being of the lords' retinue of our side, did write a letter to the lord Darcy, which effect was to admonish and give him warning that the lord Steward intended to take the said lord Darcy with his company sleepers, and that Aske should utter this to the said Chr. with very ready tokens for knowledge of the messenger."

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ii. "The saying of Christopher Lassels the 22nd day of the said July to me, John Babyngton."

The said John, walking after supper that day to Northumberland garden, in London, found there the said Chr., who knowing that Babyngton's master, my lord Privy Seal, intended to be at Mortlake, advised him to inform his Lordship, and said he would jeopard his life that he and his cousin George would produce the messenger who gave the above information.

London, 23 July. *Signed by Babyngton.*

P. 1, *in Babyngton's hand. Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 July. **322.** Ric. Tomyow to Cromwell.

R. O. Has just received five bucks from Sir John Dudley's park called Wedgenok. Marvels why he sent them all at once, unless he supposed some greater business here toward than any is. Two of the bucks killed on Friday were so utterly gone that he was glad to rid the house of them.

Has baked up the other three in large pasties to dispend cold in the household.

Has given the bearers two angels. Mortlake, Monday, 23 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 July. **323.** Sir Robert Wingfield to Cromwell.

R. O. Wrote last on the 21st, and joined with the same a letter from Halle, written at St. Omer's. Sends with these a letter of his in two pieces, written yesterday in the camp before Torwane. Calais, 23 July 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Hall, xxij. Julii.

R. O. 2. [Hall] to Sir Robert Wingfield.

Wrote last this morning before anybody was stirring. The shooting all last night was on the side of the Great Master, very little out of the town. The Great Master had a trench made almost up to the bulwark before the gate of St. Omer, so that divers of his folk came close to it without danger. M. de Cerlew kept the watch, and was so pleased he is willing to keep it again to-night. The Great Master himself was in the trench till long after midnight. He has three fellows, who, for a pot of beer, would make a Burgundian cross on the gate of St. Omer in full day. He caused others to approach as if to set ladders to scale, and when the townsmen looked out, had plenty of hackbutters to fire and keep them busy, while he did other things without let. Our folks reviled those of the town that they had no powder, but they answered that our folks should know they had powder enough, though they shot little. This night 400 horse have gone out of the Great Master's camp to see if they can meet with anything, and it is said 300 French horse have been seen not far off. Yestereven Mollenbais and Lyekerk "by his wife," who is much esteemed in France, where he was ambassador before the war, went two leagues hence to meet the president of Paris, M. de Saint André, and others, "very fine children, I warrant you," to negociate a peace; and this morning Lyckerke has been here with De Bewre, and has returned to Mollenbais. It is hard to judge the result. The captain of Gravelines has gone to his castle for a great matter (as he told me in secret) of treason against his prince, wrought by the provost of Paris, who remains there in prison. Before Toierwan, in great haste, Sunday, 22 July 1537.

Forgot to mention that peace is commenced in the Dauphin's name; so that it is thought, if the French king be alive, he has lost his memory, or is very weak from sickness. The seeking of this peace by the French (as I wrote in the morning) is no token that they have much power ready, and if we accept it, leaving this town behind, which cannot hold long, it will be a continual scourge for all this country.

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324. Sir Robert Wingfield to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Thanks his lordship for communicating to him a letter addressed to himself and the Council. Sees nothing in it to require great consultation, the words being so "decernate," but will wait upon his lordship if he desire it. Returns the letter enclosed, and hopes Our Lord will make my lady his bedfellow a glad mother. "At my manor of Mountfesawnt in Pleeplynge."

P.S.—Has received a letter from his nephew Halle, who desires to be commended to my lord and lady.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Arthur viscount Lysle, knight of the Order, and the King's deputy-general of his town and marches of Calais. *Sealed.*

23 July. **325.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I am this day informed that the Burgundians have tonight come to Wissen and taken a quantity of cattle and some prisoners upon your pale. I despatched this trumpet to request you not to let the said booty pass through your pale, in violation of your neutrality. Boulogne, 23 July. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

23 July. **326.** Jehan des Gardins to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letters acknowledging a present of partridges and herons. The gift is not from me, although I am so much bound to you. I think it is from Jacques Robert an *échevin* of St. Omer. You mention your intention of sending your son George back to me. He will be very welcome. He is a good boy and if he had remained till now, would have made great progress. If I have been negligent in relation to his board or teaching, I beg to be informed, and if you think I ask too much salary, pay me what you please. 23 July.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

23 July. **327.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. Yesterday, 22 July, the Queen sat with her Council for five hours, and Mollembes and Lekirke were sent to the French King's castle of Bommy, two leagues from Turwyn, where the president of Paris and other commissioners were to be. Cannot yet tell of what they are to treat. Some think, about one Capt. George who was taken with the lord Hanyball and whom Bewre said he should ransom with an hour's hanging because being in charge of 300 horse in the Emperor's wages he went over to the French. There is much doubt about assaulting Turwyn, and the army will probably withdraw. Thinks he need not write to the King. St. Omer's, 23 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 July. **328.** Cromwell to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Thanks him for his news of the 15th, received this morning. Is his perfect friend, notwithstanding that, by order of the King and Council here, he had written for the sending up of two seditious priests somewhat sharply, "to the intent that some of the said Council, which lean much to their superstitious old observations and rites might by general warning to you all directed, beware how too much to stand in their obstinate pertinacy and error in some things, but be induced to bring their hearts inward to the conformity of the truth." Is no otherwise touched except to concur with Cromwell in reforming such evil hearts and exhort them to set aside their obstinacy and not think themselves wiser than the most learned and best of the realm. You shall in this do acceptable service to the King, and to the writer the greatest pleasure. Will get his bill signed at the King's next being at Windsor. Easthampstead, 24 July. *Signed.*

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24 July. **329.** Lord Chancellor Audeley to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends thirty proclamations of the King's general pardon under his Great Seal according to Cromwell's letters. Has set all his clerks in hand to write for the despatch thereof. Being in Essex and near Suffolk, hears of some contention for preaching in sundry parishes, but of no great credible report. As the people seem irritable and inconstant, asks him to send the last book determined by the King to be set forth and concluded by the bishops and clergy. Doubts not thereby to satisfy the people, and so to impress it in their heads that it will do much good for quietness. Curates have been very negligent in the due execution of the injunctions. Asks him to command his servant that he may have some of the water of my lord of Suffolk, like as it pleased Cromwell to grant him, and also this book that he writes for. Desires to be recommended to the King and Queen. Terlyng, 24 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Proclamation to the men of the North. [*See* Grants in July, No 37.]

Begins: "Albeit divers and many of you the King's highness' subjects and commons dwelling and inhabiting in the counties of York, Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmoreland, and the bishopric of Duresme, and in the cities of York, Kingeston upon Hull, Duresme, and Carlisle, and the shires of the same, and in all other towns and places, liberties, franchises, and dales within the limits of the same," have notwithstanding his Highness' late mercy to you, been seduced by the traitor Bigod into new rebellion; which might have moved the King to make the offenders a terrible example to all others hereafter. Yet he supposes the punishment of a few offenders to be sufficient; and therefore "by this proclamation" grants a general and free pardon for all treasons, rebellions, &c. committed from the beginning of the first insurrection until the date of this proclamation. Gives leave for all to sue hereafter in the Chancery for the said free pardon under the Great Seal, without further warrant or charge for the Great Seal. Charges them to be faithful subjects and never again rise unless at the command of the King or his authorised lieutenant.

Copy, pp. 5. *Endd.:* "A pardon or a proclamation upon Bigott's rebellion."

R. O. 3. Another copy of § 2, with corrections which are partly in Cromwell's hand. With the addition at the end "Provided always that"——.

Pp. 9. *Endd.:* The pardon for Yorkshire men.

[24 July.] **330.** Edward Bishop of Hereford to Cromwell.

R. O. According to your last letters I send by bearer the collation for Thomas Soulimont, and the rest of our books subscribed with our hands. Where you wish me to make the preface of the "book that shall now be printed"; I must first know the King's pleasure what the argument thereof shall be and whether the book shall go forth in the King's name or that of the Bishops, as I wrote before. As Mr. Wriothesley is there with you, I think he can express the same better than I can by any instruction by letter. London, Tuesday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

24 July. **331.** Archbishop Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. Cannot sufficiently thank him for his great kindness, especially of late, for his good counsel and good report to the King of his sermons, by which he hopes his Highness' displeasure is somewhat assuaged. And whereas his Highness has licensed us all to depart to our dioceses, I regret

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that I am not to do my duty to him before departure, owing to the order that no man repair hence to Court. Is much dismayed not to know for certain whether he be received again into favour. Wishes to know what to do if wanted for the book of laws or any other cause. His friends think he had better remain here than go and return immediately. Newington, 24 July 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

24 July. **332.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. In behalf of the bearer, Lionel Gray, in his disputes with Sir Thomas Clifford. He is the man whom Sir Wm. Evers can least spare upon the East Marches, and his dispute with the captain of Berwick does no good to those parts. Thinks the King might commission him to send for both parties to make a concord. Hears from Scotland by a secret friend that the King there has sent to the French king for payment of money owing him in France for his marriage, and to know if he shall be paid the pension he had thence, his wife being dead. Helmesley, 24 July.

P.S. *in his own hand.* If James have a favourable answer from France, my friend says he will dance after the pleasure of France; if not, he will make honest offers to the King. Never men went thence worse content than the Vice-Admiral and all his country, and never men liked country worse. Moreover, no men were worse content with the French fashions than all that were in France, save the King. It is not impossible he may eftsoons demand my lady Mary, though, for my part, I would she went another way. *Signed.*

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24 July. **333.** [Hall to Sir Rob. Wingfield.]

R. O. Wrote last before yesterday after dinner, besides what he sent "raathe" in the morning. The letter was delayed by the bearers handing it to a servant of Mr. Porter's to pass on, notwithstanding that he had given them their dinners and over 12*d.* stg. to convey it direct. There went with Mollenbais and Lyekerk to the conference M. de la Tyloye, bailly of Laans in Artois, who is called expert, though when we were at Douay he had a sickness that impaired his memory. This treaty is at the castle of Bomie. In my last I informed you that Lyekerke had returned to Mollenbais to Bommye. He went from thence the same day to the Queen at St. Omer, coming hither again when De Beure had almost supped, who, as it was late, sent his trumpet to Mollenbais to say that Lyekerke would be with him in the morning. After supper Lyekerk sat in council at the duke of Arsecotts, with him and De Beure, and with them the Marquis of Barrow (who has lately come "syth it was thought that we should have had or this one of the three that I wrote to you of by the French power that was bruited to be strongly assembled" about Hesdynge), Count Pynnoye, the Great Master, and Issylstein. But it seems to be but a bruit to assist them in the treaty. They also bruited that they had won a great deal more in Piedmont than they have done. Yesterday morning Lyekerke went early to Bomme, and after noon Mollenbais and he returned hither, leaving only De la Tyloye. After sitting an hour here with the Council they went to the Queen at St. Omer. In the morning De Beure sent his trumpet with a letter from Mollenbais to the French ambassador, whom he found in bed, and though he commanded that the trumpet should have his breakfast, as no man followed out of his chamber he was fain to come away without drinking. He found walking (*qu.* waking?) an abbot, who had much trouble about the neutrality of his abbey, situated between Cambray and Guise, but still offers his services to the ambassadors. After

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dining with the duke of Arsecott, who is sickly and rises late, and holding a council there with the Prince of Orange, Mollenbais and Lyekerk are to-day returned to Bomme. The treaty is kept very close. Some say the French will have to surrender Hesdynge and destroy the strength of this town.

On Sunday night more artillery was laid against the Red bulwark. Describes its disposition. On Sunday De Beure was informed that a man on the other side of the river had seen in the street of Tourwanne the *gendarmerie* armed and on horseback with their staves on their thighs, 250 men of arms, who would have issued out but that the footmen and *mortepayes* lowered the portcullis. Both yesterday and to-day they have let women out, who say that there is great need and lack of all things. Yesterday there was skirmishing before St. Omer's gate, when the besieged reviled the Flemings, bidding them fetch away their scaling ladders, meaning the timber of their own barriers and turnpikes that our folks had broken down the night before, and two or three boys came out for forage; but now the trenches are brought nearer. The Great Master to-day ordered the bulwark before St. Omer's gate to be removed, saying he would have that gate beaten flat to the ground. Advice of the master of the artillery. The provost of Paris expected by to-morrow to deliver not only himself but the castle of Gravelines into French hands, and had written to De Bies accordingly. Once this day peace was reckoned upon by most of the army because De Beure gave away three great horses, saying that of late he had others given him; but our ambassadors and the French have both returned without any conclusion. Thus it seems all their cawtell was to gain time. Since supper Mollenbais, Lyekerke, De la Tyloye, and the duke of Arsecotte have gone to the Queen at St. Omer's, and it is thought they will make all speed to assay this town. The mines are ready to fire. They have cast out of the town this morning a stave's end of ash with a drawing of a Burgundian cross upon a pair of gallows and a mocking inscription (quoted); also a quartered chalkstone with a drawing in ink of a pair of gallows on one side, and on the other side the inscription, "Meschaunttes, villains, Lwteryens, vous tourtoutz Allemans, nous vous ferons toutz pendre comme ennemis de Dieu et de la gliese." Thinks the army is pleased that there is no peace. Before Tourwan, Tuesday St. James' even, 24 July 1537.

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24 July. R. O. **334.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lady Lisle.

I thank you for the three angel nobles you sent me by my brother Browne. As money goes with me now, every one was worth 10. My friends in England have deceived me, for when I was at Calais they willed me to make haste to the camp, promising to send horse, harness, and money by my brother Harry Palmer, but he came without any of them, and leaves me here to make the best shift I can. I send lord Lisle a fair young horse. The camp beside Tyrwan, 24 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

24 July. R. O. **335.** Maximilian D'Egmont (Lord of Isselstein) to Lord Lisle.

I thank you for the English hackney you have sent me by the bearer. As you have no large horses in your quarter, I send you a young curtall (*roussin*). The camp before Therouenne, 24 July 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

24 July. R. O. **336.** Hugh Gills to Lord Lisle.

Mons. de Moy has left the Court in post, without any answer to your Lordship's letter. I have made suit to my lord of Winchester, who has promised to speak to the Chancellor of France to get him to write for the

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deliverance of the hoys detained at Dieppe, and also for the safe conducts. Paris, 24 July 1537.

It is said that Mons. de Moy is gone over the mountains to be "suparyar" of the French king's army.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

25 July. **337.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Perceives by his letters of the 15th that Lisle knows how the 50*l.* was received, which comforts me as much as if I had gotten it myself. Has received from one of my lord Chancellor's servants the letter directed to my lord Privy Seal, and spent half the day in seeking him. Is surprised the letter was delayed so long in the transit. Begs that letters henceforth may be left for himself, and if he is not there, with the good man or his wife. Rode to Court immediately, and delivered the letter to my lord Privy Seal, when, among other things, he said he had written you a sharp letter concerning two priests, who had acted amiss touching certain articles of the King's laws lately enacted, and had been supported by the Council of Calais. I told him your confidence was only in God, the King, and himself, and you would be no less grieved at his writings than at the King's, and that if he did not write you a loving letter he might put your life in peril. He said he thought you were too wise for that, and whatever he wrote he was and would be your very friend, and wished me to tell you so. "Assuredly he cannot bide no thing that soundeth with the Papistical laws in any manner wise; for the King's Majesty is most earnestly bent against the same." He told me what he had written was by the King's express commandment; but the truth is, he has divers of the Council there in much more jealousy in those causes than your Lordship. Loving you as much as my father in all causes, especially such as concern the supremacy of the Head of the Church, I beg you to be no less earnest and precise than you would be in causes of high treason, for they are no less abhorred by the King and those of authority about him. I told him that you "never bare no such cause;" but I suspect these things came from the commissary and his adherents, wherefore let him not be the judge hereafter in such cases. Since I was in your service I cannot perceive that you ever had displeasure except for such causes. "I would God they would all agree, or else I would the commissary and his friends were in the front of the assault at Terouenne."

At last my lord Privy Seal called me to him, and said he would write to you. I prayed that it might be a gentle letter, and he said it should be so, for he knew your lordship would take his writing very earnestly. You will receive his letter here enclosed. Touching your priory, he bade me set my heart at rest, for at Windsor I should be rid, and however long you tarried you should be no loser. As to the passage, you need have no anxiety now, for no man will meddle while the King's ships are at sea.

Touching the subsidy, if the lords and others in Calais pay, your lordship must do as they do. I will learn from Mr. Swyllyard the law. You need not take it so earnestly, for however the world goes the King loves you well. I trust things shall be better than ever they were. I will keep the seal till my lord Admiral knows of it. Trusts to procure him venison. The bishops have left, not agreed, I think. Nothing is published as yet. St. Katharine's 25 July.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

25 July. **338.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I have yours of the 17 July. As to my long suit, I can but tarry my lord Privy Seal's time. As to the contract between Mr. Surveyor and

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Mrs. Margaret Graynfyld, she has well sped, for I know my lord Privy Seal thinks him worthy to have as good as she, notwithstanding her birth, but when they marry he will be able to find her like a gentlewoman. I hope to send the cushion and the cups for conserve by the next. The glasses I do not know how to convey. I will send two dozen by Annes Wodroff, if she will take them. Your weir is not forgotten, but Mr. Popley says it is not yet time. I mean to ride to my lady of Rutland tomorrow. When at Court I could not speak with Mrs. Margery or my lady of Sussex, or deliver your tokens; but at the King's coming to Windsor I hope to speak with them. St. Katharine's, 25 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

25 July. **339.** Sir Henry Sayvylle to Cromwell.

R. O. Since I left you another of my servants fell sick. Happily it proved not to be the plague. I send Thomas Savyll to your Lordship. My friend the vicar of Halifax was robbed at this rebellion by John Lacy and his servants, against whom he had out *sub-pœnas*, but they would not appear. John Lacy uses unsitting words, saying, If they will have my head they shall fetch it. He mocks the King's Council, calling one of his servants Lord Chancellor, "and one other to be your Lordship," adding that he will do well enough having with him of council both the Chancellor and Cromwell. In the rebellion time he and his brother made a rhyme which was read in Halifax, not only against my lord of Canterbury, your Lordship, and others, but against the King, with words which any honest man would abhor. I gave you the copy of the bills he wrote to every constable within his father-in-law's office in Halifax, and would have laid all this to his charge if he had appeared. He makes a false charge against the vicar, affirming the goods robbed to be treasure trove, so that the vicar is commanded to bring to my lord of Norfolk such as they have delivered him of his own. Desires Cromwell will write to Norfolk that Savyll may have custody of the money till the matter is tried, and that Mr. Doctor and John Lacy may appear before Cromwell *Quindena Michaelis* to answer. Thomas Gryce denies the covenant between him and Thos. Beaumont, and wishes Cromwell would hear him. Has spoken with Nic. Beaumont who denies having done any such message since he went forth with Savyll till the armies were broken up. Sir Robert Nevell was my friend before this business, and put him in commission for me against Sir Richard Tempest, but now I see he is joined with Sir Richard, because I weighed my duty to my Prince more than his friendship. Thornell, St. James' Day the Apostle. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 July **340.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Since writing by Lion Grey, Ralph Hongate arrived with James Crane, and has examined the sea coasts from Flamborough to Tynemouth without finding any such place as he said was called St. Andrews till he came within three miles of Tynemouth, when, seeing a steeple of pretty fashion, he said that was St. Andrews, and so it is. And there he knew the priest that spake the lewd words to him, who is parish priest to Dr. Marshall. I have sent for him to be with me on Saturday next. Though Crane mistook the place by 60 miles distance, it is not unlikely he heard the priest speak such words, and if Dr. Marshall be implicated I shall send for him and put his name in the exception of the pardon. Crane cannot show where the man with the "sanselym" (?) face dwells, "nor other of the boats that came aboard of their ships," but leaves that to the report of the priest. Helmesley, 25 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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25 July. **341.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Trusts Cromwell will help him out of debt, either to have his debts paid and remain in his room or to have his debts paid and be discharged with the King's favour. If it had not been for Mr. Treasurer's help, would have been driven to beg his dinner, "which I do think were not the King's honour." Calais, 25 July.

Thinks the French and Borgonyons would be glad of peace. Wishes the English took part with one, lest at length they agree and are both against England. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* xxv. August.

25 July. **342.** Oswyn Hedwyn to Peter [Beckwith], Secretary of the lord Deputy of Calais.

R. O. Oliver Wabram and Nic. Caron, John and Wm. Cattore, and all other victuallers of the two ships are condemned to deliver me all my cloth again with the costs, but I cannot get it executed. All the victuallers have run away and Nic. Caron and Oliver Wabram would compound with me for what they had for their share, but I think if I compounded with them, I should get nothing from the rest. I beg you will desire my lord Deputy to write to Mons. du Bies to despatch me, for no sergeant dare execute the sentences the judge has given me, and I am told some of them have gone to Paris to get letters against me. I pray you ask my lord Deputy's counsel whether I had better compound or not. Commend me to Hamlyng Ryder, and Master Bayley and Mr. Worth. Your great enemy, Collin Caron's servant, is taken prisoner by the Burgundians. Desires Master Porter's counsel. Bollen, 25 July.

The bearer can tell you how I am handled.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

25 July. **343.** John Travers to Cromwell.

R. O. On Tuesday, 24 July, Molenbars (*sic*) and Lykerk with others of the Emperor's Council conferred with the Great Master of France on a peace desired by the French, but they did not agree and returned home in a fury. To-day our men have bent 18 double canons and demi-canons to make the breach on the south side of the town near the Red Bulwark. They have also 5 pieces beneath near the water, 2 on the hill above the bulwark, 2 at the abbey, and 9 at the hill where the gallows of stone is and over the green bulwark. Describes trenches made. On the 24th the French wrote very spiteful words against the Almains on a billet of timber and stone, which they threw over the walls. The mines are in great hazard. They have found one of ours which we shut up again, but there are other two near it to undermine the Red Bulwark. The Frenchman who came out of the town told me there were above 40 countermines and many wells of which they cannot be deprived even if we take the conduit, which we have not done yet as it is one of our mines; moreover they do not use it lest we poison it. "And that also came into the town the same time that Hanyball was taken there entered in the town 2 ensigns of footmen with every of them 8 pounds of powder for their harquebuses." They have not four half-barrels of serpentine powder in their town; but they have much wildfire. I visit the trenches every day and see everything. Since I wrote by my servant no great harm has been done by either party, except that on the 24th an Almain was slain in the trench, and the gunner that slew him also, with one or two more. We look for hot stirring to-day. Torwen, 25 July, at 3 a.m.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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26 July. **344.** ALEXANDER RADCLYFF to CROMWELL.

R. O. By Cromwell's means is farmer of the parsonage of Eccles with all lands lately belonging to the house of Whalley in the parish, but Sir Wm. Leylande has lately made labour to Mr. Pollarte, surveyor, and obtained a similar grant from him, and depends on the favour of the lord Admiral. Asks Cromwell to help him. Ordessalle, Lancashire, 26 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*: lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 July. **345.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. As Sir Thomas Tempest is sending up the bearer his servant, begs Cromwell to be good lord to the said Sir Thomas, and also to Sir Ralph Ellerker and Robert Bowes who are now here. Each of them is at more charges than his fee will bear, and they should be encouraged to take pains. Sheriff Hutton, 26 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *The latter part in Norfolk's hand. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 July. **346.** SIR THOS. CLIFFORD to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. v. 94. The king of Scots since his return from France, omitting all pastimes, has been getting ready his ordnance at Dunbar, Temptallow and other places, and now for a month past has twice a week visited Dunbar with a privy company at 12 o'clock at night, continuing there one day or two, and returning by night again. Begs the King to consider the dangers of this town, which is destitute of victuals and gunpowder, and the walls in great ruin. Desires letters to his subjects in Yorkshire, Durham and Nthld. to repair hither upon warning. On Saturday 14th the master of Forboose, son and heir to the lord Forboose, was attainted of treason for matters of which he declared at his death he was "sackelese." He was that day beheaded and quartered in Edinburgh. On Tuesday following Lady Clams (Glammis) sister of the earl of Angus, was burnt in Edinburgh for treason. There remain in ward the lord Forboose, William Forboose, his cousin german, the lord Clams, the laird of Wedderburn, &c. (named). Berwick, 26 July. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

26 July. **347.** SIR THOS. CLIFFORD to CROMWELL.

Calig. B. III. 182. B. M. Has advertised the King of the disposition of James V. since his return from France. Sends a copy of his letter with a bill of necessaries for fortifying Berwick. Berwick, 26 July. *Signed.*

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Ib., f. 183. ii. Copy enclosed.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd. by Wriothesley.*

26 July. **348.** SIR GEO. LAWSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter this 24th inst. "for the diffalcation of certain pensions in these parts," which he will accomplish according to the King's command. Desires instructions for the repairs at Berwick and Wark Castle. Has given orders for the repair of the King's two brewhouses and bakehouse at Holy Island, which are in sore decay, one side of them like to fall. Berwick, 26 July. *Signed:* "Your hearty man ever, George Lawson."

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26 July. **349.** Sir Robert Wingfield to Cromwell.

R. O. Wrote last on the 23rd forwarding a letter of his nephew Hall written the day before. Sends another of his written on the 24th, before Torwan, which has not come so speedily as he hoped. Calais, 26 July 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

26 July. **350.** J. de Morbecque to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. I am to-day informed that one of my *compaignons de guerre*, sworn to the Emperor, has been taken by the French within your Pale. His name is Clay Neudz. Tournehen Castle, 26 July. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

26 July. **351.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. The commissioners who met at Bommy have gone home without concluding anything. Their meeting was much grudged at by those of the camp who feared a peace or at least a truce was treated; so that Molumbeis and Lekirke came not to the camp without great danger till it was manifest by the shooting of the ordnance that nothing was concluded. Many breaches have been made, and it appears they intend an assault in several places. The Almains had won the first entry by lot but have resigned it to Isselstein at his request. "I pray Jesu speed him well, for he is a very forward gentleman." The assault is expected to be given tomorrow. If it be "I will give them the looking upon." The lord of Peyn is to be exchanged for the seneschal of Hainault. The camp before Turwyn, 26 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 July. **352.** Mines in Devon and Cornwall.

R. O. Deed poll whereby Thomas Marshall, George Warner, Wm. Torner, Hugh Ellis, Thos. and Alex. Payn, Ralph and Nic. Baynebrygge, and the other commissioners for the survey of mines in Devon and Cornwall appointed by patent 1 Aug. 14 Henry VIII., appoint Nic. Caldecotte *alias* Calcote of London, mercer, as clerk controller and overseer of the work. Dated 26 July 29 Henry VIII.

Large paper, pp. 4, *with a memorandum endorsed for an additional clause.*

27 July. **353.** Rumors in the North.

R. O. "The saying of Cuthbert Richardson of Durham afore my lord of Westmoreland touching the reckless words spoken by Sir John Peersoun, priest, of Corpus Christi Guild within Durham" on 27 July 29 Henry VIII.

The accused came to a butcher's stall in Durham named Richard Dawson, and in presence of the foresaid Cuthbert and Richard said he could tell them news. And being asked what news, said the King and his Council had devised that every gentleman who was at Doncaster road in the time of the commotion should pay a year's rent of his lands to the King, every yeoman 100*s.* and every commoner that sent forth a man as much as they gave at the man's setting forth. Then the said Cuthbert said to him, "Farewell Mr. Parson, ye have said well."

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27 July. **354.** John Rokewood to Lord Lisle.

See Vol. XI., No. 171, which seems to be of the year 1537, as Du Bies went with the French army into Italy in the spring of 1536.

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27 July. **355.** Sir Clement West to Henry VIII.

Otho. C. IX. 122. B. M. Prince Doryo has gone from Myssyn towards . . . . . , and intends "to cut the tayle off [the Turk's] armad." The viceroy of Sicily's news of the captain of Brend . . . and Barbarossa. The brigantine sent from hence saw 400 sail of Turks between Corfu and the Izsell. News brought by a Saragoze ship which escaped from the Turks at Negropont. Hears from Venice than "Don Farnande has rec . . . . . yn Hongre." Speaks of 40 sey[le] (?) of Portugal.

The rest is mutilated but seems to import that he has received Henry's letters in his favour to the master and council of the Order and that he is entirely bound to him for former favours, as Slebech, protection from Sir Ryse and Sir Griffith, delivery from prison, &c. Malta, 27 July 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Mutilated. Begins:* Most high and mighty prince.

28 July. **356.** Sir Ralph Eure [Jun.] to the Duke of Norfolk.

R. O. Has been with my lord Privy Seal and seen the letter which is very craftily forged in his name; but disowns all knowledge of the making of it. His Lordship said on Thursday that he referred the examination of the matter to Norfolk. Windsor, 28 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

28 July. **357.** Sedition at Thame.

R. O. On Whitsunday at breakfast in the chantry of Thame it was said, touching the state of the North, that 10 should suffer as "proditors," among them lady Bulmer. Robt. Jons said it is pity that she should suffer. John Strebilhill said "it is no pity, if she be a traitor to her prince. Jons said "Let us speak no more of this matter, for men may be blamed for speaking of the truth." *Signed by Strebilhill.*

Thos. Tyler, sworn and examined, confesses as above.

The above confessions made before Sir John Daunce, 27 July, 29 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 2. *Small paper.*

R. O. 2. "Depositions against Robt. Johns in Oxfordshire before Mr. Dancy and Mr. Williams," viz.:—

(1.) Of John Strebilhill, taken 26 (?) July 29 Hen. VIII., stating that Rob. Johns of Thame as he came from the latter evensong on Sunday three weeks before Whitsuntide told him he feared the King would have the crosses and jewels of their church, and proposed to sell the jewels as the church was in decay. These words deponent showed to his father Thos. Strebilhill on Friday following Whitsuntide week. *Signed.*

(2.) Of John Benet of Thame, taken 28 July, confirming the preceding and adding that Johns said to him it was better to sell the jewels than that they should otherwise go. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

3. [Further depositions of Strebilhill].

R. O. On Wednesday in Whitson week certain company were at the chantry of Thame making merry and spending their money at the "Church alle," when it was said, "lady Bolmere of the North country is attainted and shall die." Robt. Jons said, "It is the more pity; but a man may not say the truth lest he be blamed." Another time Jons said the King would suppress all abbeys and take half of all parish church jewels; and proposed selling their crosses and candlesticks. At St. Thomas' day, the Martyr, last there was solemn service in the church of Thame and "I Thomas Strebilhill" came into the choir "as I do every festival day, saying to Doctor Goodruge being vicar there of Thame, 'Master Doctor, ye have kept a solemn feast this day, where

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had you such authority?'" He answered they would have it so; and I said, within a mile and a half men went to work this day. Then one Ric. Childe said he wished their horses' necks had been "to braste" and their carts fired. I answered "I think thou art of the Northern sect; thou wouldst rule the King's Highness and not to be ruled."

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* Touching the seditious persons of Thame.

28 July. **358.** Sir Brian Stapilton to Cromwell.

R. O. Received this 28 July, Cromwell's letter dated the 26th. Is sorry he cannot fulfil Cromwell's pleasure, for he granted the said benefice to a kinsman of his in the country immediately after he knew his chaplain was "disaloed" by the abp. of York. Burton Jorce, 28 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 July. **359.** Anthoine Brusset to Lord Lisle.

R. O. My wife tells me that my lady your wife is very anxious to obtain a couple of young wild boars. I send a pair by the bearer my lackey as a present. They require to be well fed. I hear that Du Bies is chagrined at having failed to take the castle and town of Gravelines by the notification of the provost of Paris, who is a subtle dealer (*ung fin espisyer*). They say that the foot and horse are separated from each other, the one being at sea and the other on land; also that the king of France is dead and that there is great sorrow in France. I suspect it is a feint and that the French have raised this report, because they see that they are losing at the game. Terouenne is as severely beaten by artillery as town ever was. I trust it will soon be in the Emperor's hands. If you hear anything about the French King's death, please let me know. Gravelines, 28 July, '37.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

28 July. **360.** Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O. On receipt of the 52*s.* (?) Flemish money in payment of the night-caps (*bonnes, i.e.* bonnets, *de nuit*), I sent it where it was due. Afterwards, on the 15th, I received letters stating that the *religieuses* were very well satisfied with all I had taken "des ouvrarges." They have also sent me half a dozen women's bonnets which I ordered of them some time ago; but, though I have not received any letter from you for a long time I have been informed by word of mouth that you do not wish me to send you any more *coiffes*. I am surprised that I have had no answer to all that I have written you; but I think it best to send them. If you do not like them you can send them back. The price is 6*s.* each. I am sending letters to Madame de Riou by a good man who has brought me news of her. If you wish to write to her and Madame de Bours he will make good diligence, but he leaves on Friday next. Commend me to my lord Deputy. Dunkirk, 28 July.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

29 July. **361.** The Vicar of Croydon.

R.O. Examination of Roland Philipps before the archbp. of Canterbury, 28 July "anno supradicto."

Cranmer's Letters, 338. Twelve questions (numbered 3 to 9), concerning the error of trusting to be saved by faith and baptism and leaving all good works, and whether the evangelists, apostles, and Church wrote and have the gospel wholly, *sincere, dilucide et præcise.*

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29 July.—Four questions (10, 11, 12, 15) in the answers to which he denies that the people have been mistaught these 500 or 600 years.

28 July.—Questions 17 to 22. Says that the bp. of Worcester and Dr. Crome exclude all bodily religious observance as frivolous and vain, that some great men in the Court at mass clap their finger upon their lip and say never a word; and that the Scotch friar Maydewell damns all singing and reading and organ playing.

29 July.—Three questions, one numbered 23, about tithes and offerings.

28 July.—Five questions (24, 26, 27, 30, 31) as to whom he knew who said that they knew not what material churches served for, but to keep off the rain or to buy and sell in; and that men should not pray because God knows their thoughts already, &c.

29 July.—Five questions referring to the same topics as Question 5 with more elaborate answers.

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29 July. **362.** JOHN WHALLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. The bearer, a man of Germany, has letters to the King and Cromwell. As he knew not where the Court was and could not speak English he desired to be conducted to you. On Friday morning last *the Pawncey* of Dieppe, a ship of 13 score [tons], and a little bark took before Calais three hulks, of 12 score and 300 apiece laden with salt, and a Portuguese ship of 100 tons laden with spices and carried them clean away; which ships we in Dover saw in sight. Begs that Cromwell and the King may write in his favour for Blackwell Hall to the mayor and aldermen of London. Dover, 29 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. the lord Cromwell and lord Privy Seal, at the Court.

29 July. **363.** JOHN WHALLEY to RICHARD CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs him to procure access to his uncle for the bearer, a German who has brought letters from the great men of Germany to the King and Cromwell. He loves my Lord well and I have sent one to conduct him to Court as he speaks no English. Secure a lodging for him while he follows the Court, and at his return from Germany again after he has the King's answer he will bring you some pleasure. Remember my uncle the water bailey of Calais's bill and your Turkey horse shall be sent you shortly. Remember also my letter for Blackwell Hall to be signed and my master's letter for the same to the mayor. Begs him to help a poor man's suit to my lord for 30 crowns taken from him by the searcher of Calais, who knew not the custom, but he might have carried them. He will give you 40*s.* if he can recover them. Dover, 29 July.

In four or five days I intend to be with my master.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

29 July. **364.** CHARLES DUKE OF SUFFOLK to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Will use diligence in pursuance of the King's letters to put in execution the commission of sewers and the statute of vagabonds in Lincolnshire. Cannot perceive but that the whole country is sorry for their offences against his Highness in times past and anxious to recover favour. Erysbye, 29 July. *Signed.*

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29 July. **365.** Sir Will. Fayrfax to [Cromwell].

R. O. Will fulfil the King's commands and Cromwell's about the delivery of the earl of Northumberland's goods taken by way of distress for a debt of 82*l.* to the King. Is sorry to hear from his servant's report that Cromwell thinks him a dissembler. Is ready to justify himself against any accuser. Last time he saw Cromwell, Cromwell promised him his favour touching the ullnership of Yorkshire. Does not know anything he has done amiss except forbearing to pursue his complaint in the Star Chamber against Thos. Gris, which was owing to the interference of the duke of Norfolk when it was announced that the King would be merciful. Relates the circumstances. 29 July.

Hol., pp. 3. *Endd.*

29 July. **366.** [Hall] to Sir Robt. Wingfield.

R. O. Wrote last on Friday and afterwards received Wingfield's by Robyn the lackey. St. Omer's gate is sore beaten (particulars given), but no sufficient breach is made for the assault. A great pane of wall is beaten down on this side between the Red Bulwark and the next bulwark towards the river, but the rampart remains upright and high, so that the town is not "sawtable" there without filling the ditches. Yesterday artillery was laid on the foreside of the river and sore beat that flank and rampart, and a false assault was made after dinner. And being on the other side of the river with divers noblemen and gentlemen, where was also my cousin John, who returned that night to St. Omer, with Hutton the King's ambassador, we could see the French to be in such readiness that they had already lighted their fire hard by the walls. Various details of the foresaid alarm. It is expected the assault will be given to-morrow indeed, and that the bridge or engine shall be approached. Cannot believe that it was deferred, as some say, to have the seneschal of Hainault first delivered out in exchange for Mons. de Peans, for the herald that came on Friday was still here last night, and also the abbot beside Cambray, whatever the matter means. This morning we were early in harness and all the High and Base Almains ranged to march in battle against the power of France which was bruited to be coming, but as there was no such thing every man returned. To-day we rest and do little as it is Sunday.

Yesterday morning Mollenbais told me with great vehemency that at the conference at Bomme he and Lyekerk carried the French articles to the Queen and Council at St. Omer's, who agreed to them, but that the French would not abide by their own offers. Comments severely on the conduct of the French. Yet since it is known that there is no French power near, our abbot has got Mollenbais to Bomme again, where it is said the French ambassadors were last night, so that a truce is expected. Before Turwan, Sunday, 29 July 1537.

In Hall's hand, pp. 4. *Add.*

29 July. **367.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. Last night a false alarm was given to the town of Turwyn by 50 handgunners of Istilstein's band, to make the townsmen come upon the walls, against which were laid 6 long serpentines to scour the flanks of the walls on the south side. These pieces were plied for 3 hours, with what effect within the town is yet unknown; "but those 50 have paid their privy tithes so well that a great part of them were sent either to Heaven or to Hell." The same night there was an alarm in the camp that 7,000 foot and 3,000 horse of the French were coming to succour Turwyn, and all the army were in battle till

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7 this morning. This I think will prevent the assault being given to-day as ordered. There will be hot work, for those within show no fear, but revile the besiegers, calling them heretics and bidding them go to Peronne. This enrages the lanceknights, and if the place be taken few or none will escape. They have made great breaches, but there is little provision to fill the ditches; and unless they give the assault shortly, they will have to retire for lack of money. If they win Turwyn, however, Flanders, Artois, and Hainault will contribute as much as they can. Molembes is gone to Boommy. An abbot whose abbey is neutral takes much pain to bring the commissioners together. Many slain in the camp by the townsmen, but not a tenth part so many as would be if they used the ordnance. It is thought their powder is scarce. St. Omer's, 29 July.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, at the Rolls. *Endd.*

30 July. **368.** HENRY VIII. to GARDINER.

Add. MS. 5,114, f. 269. B. M.

Has received his sundry letters. Thanks him for the answers he made touching the pretended conclusion of marriage between the Infant of Portugal and the Lady Mary. If asked further about the matter, he may state that it is neither agreed upon, nor in any towardness. Is sending Henry Knevet, one of the gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, to visit the French King, report what state he is in, and the condition of affairs there. He will confer with Gardiner. Sunninghill, 30 July.

Signed and sealed. P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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Sent Mr. Wodall to get the money delivered by the vicar of Halifax after Easter last, which was found hidden in a pot underground in his house during the rebellion, with the vicar's letters to such as he delivered the same to; of which Sir Henry Savell has 400*l.*, and has left it with his evidences at London in the custody of Broke of the King's Head. Has himself received 200*l.* which was in two other men's hands, but as yet can get no more. The vicar says he has spent the rest, but Norfolk expects soon to get 100 marks more restored, in addition to the 800*l.* Sends interrogatories ministered to the vicar and his answer, with the depositions of him that found the money under a stair, and a bill of Mr. Wodall's of his proceedings. Most of the Council believe the money to be the vicar's, and not treasure trove, for these reasons:—1. There were many crowns of five shillings—a coin not used much before he was vicar. 2. He made one man and one woman privy that he had hidden it there. 3. Sir Henry Savell says he had 800*l.* of his in keeping before; and though his saying might be feigned as well as that of the woman, who is his sister, and the man, who is his nephew, the being there of the crowns is in his favour. Has laid to his charge that he has not contributed to the King after his substance, living covetously like a man of 40*l.* promotions, when he can spend 200*l.* a year. He is also a troublous and busy man among his neighbours, having at the assises two *nisi prius* against others and one against him. Desires instructions as to proceeding further. Sheriff hutton, 30 July.

P.S.—George Douglas has arrived coming towards his Majesty. By him you will learn such news as be in Scotland. His friends are so hardly handled, I think I have surer espial there than he. I have this day received a letter from your lordship with two bills in print, wherein I shall do my best devour. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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R. O. 2. Interrogatories ministered by my lord Lieutenant on behalf of the King against Master Doctor Hallisworthe, vicar of Halifax.

(1.) First, what money he received by means of his parish priest, Sir Alexander Emott, discovered by confession? (2.) When and where he received it and in what coin? (3.) Who first found it, and where and how it was hid? (4.) How long it lay hid before it was found? (5.) Who was of counsel with him, and how many persons knew of the hiding of the said money? (6.) Why he hid it, and whether it was ever hid in other places, and where, and who was privy thereto? (7.) How long he has been owner of this money? (8.) How he came by so great a sum? (9.) How long it was found before he wanted it? (10.) How he first knew it was found, and when? (11.) How long after he knew it had been taken he kept it secret or made any other privy thereto? (12.) Whether he knew of its taking when he was in York about Mid Lent with my lord Lieutenant? (13.) Whether he then knew there was open proclamation made by my said lord for restitution of all spoils committed during the rebellion? (14.) Why he did not then complain to my said lord, seeing that all spoils then complained of were redressed? (15.) If ever he removed the said money after he hid it, and who was privy thereto? (16.) Whether he knew the exact sum?

P. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 3. "The answer made by me Robert Haldisworthe vicar of Halifax to the interrogatories ministered by the right honourable lord duke of Norfolk, lieutenant to the King's Highness," 21 July 1537.

1. I received by the hands of Sir Alexander Emett my parish priest at Halifax 789*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* which he says came to his hands by confession. 2. I received it 3 or 4 days after Low Sunday last in a parlour within my vicarage, all in gold. 3. I heard but now of late that Thomas Lacy of Halifax found the said money under a stair beside my parlour. This was how it was hid. I put it in a little brass pot and put a little box and writing therein containing the true sum of the gold and set it in the earth so that the pot's "brims" were even nearly with the earth outside and a little "moylle" or dust and small chips thereupon, and also other great chips. 4. The money lay there from Easter next before the rebellion till the time of the rebellion. 5. Thinks he showed Sir Henry Savell of the hiding thereof and the place, and wrote afterwards to him about it; also to his sister Agnes the wife of John Mawde, and her son Edward, of Halifax. 6. His reason for hiding it was because John Lacy, son-in-law to Sir Ric. Tempest and steward of Wakefield, did riotously spoil his goods and cattle from his vicarage in the month of March before the rebellion. 7. Was owner of that money only at that time and a little before, for he had gathered it together at sundry times. 8. His father, John Hauldsworthe of Halifax, bequeathed to him at his death money and goods of nearly 1,000 mks. value to find him at the school of Oxford and beyond sea, and the remainder to keep at his pleasure. Also his mother gave him all her goods, and they left him certain lands in patrimony for life. Has spent much of these sums to obtain some learning and afterwards saved when he was beneficed, with a view to find provision for certain scholars in the University of Oxford, according to a proposal he had made to his father. Has been about this for 3 or 4 years past, as the rector and fellows of Lincoln College are aware, and fully intended to have six scholars for ever. Meant also to have bought lands of Mr. Fermer dwelling beside the Tower in London for that intent, and laboured also to Sir Robert Dormer knight for lands likewise; consulted also lord Baldwin justice of the Common Pleas and Mr. Serjeant Chomley about it. 9. Thinks the money was taken at the time of the rebellion, but they used his vicarage freely till Xmas following and took all the locks off the doors. Did not know of the finding of the money till after Mid Lent Sunday last, for he was not at Halifax from the week before Michaelmas till after that Midlent Sunday. 10. Has sufficiently answered in 1, 3, and 4. 11. At first I kept privy to myself that the money was taken, in order to consider how to come to knowledge thereof and recover it; and the first man I told was Sir Henry Savell, then lying sick at his place called Sottill. This was on Friday or

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Saturday before Palm Sunday last, in my coming from York. Afterwards told my sister Agnes Mawde and Edward her son and Sir Alexander my parish priest. 12. Knew, before his coming to York in Passion week last, of the taking away of the said money. 13. I came to York in Passion week to my said lord's grace for his favour that such process as I had obtained by the King's Council might be served against those who had robbed and spoiled my vicarage at Halifax in Lent before the rebellion and likewise at the time of the rebellion. At that time your Grace showed me that restitution of spoil might be made by you; and Sir Brian Hastyngs, sheriff of the shire, did show your Grace the precept that was sent to him, which your Grace kept for a time and afterwards re-delivered to the sheriff. And after that he told me he would set us at a good end, and, if he could not, he would execute the writ of attachment against them. 14. I did not sue to your Grace for restitution because I had put up a bill of complaint to the King and Council at Xmas last and obtained writs of subpœna for them to appear above before your Grace's coming; for it had been of less cost and easier for me to have had restitution by your Grace's command. 15. Never removed the money from the place. Thinks he showed Sir Henry Savell the amount, and showed his sister Agnes and nephew Edward the place, and said there was a great sum of gold in the pot. 16. When I hid the gold I was certain of the sum thereof, for I wrote it on parchment and put it in a little box and hid it above the gold in the said pot. Also I wrote the sum in my book in figures of "augryme." Howbeit, at the receiving now lately of part thereof I doubted what was the true sum and had to refer to my book.

Pp. 5. *Endd.*

R. O. 4. Deposition of Thomas Lasse.

That he found a pot of brass of a gallon with gold, what sum he knew not, but the pot was near full of earth and gold and covered with a trencher lid. The top of the pot was a good handbreadth under the ground and the earth over it was meetly hard. Put the gold in a pepper poke of canvas which would hold a pound of pepper, but the gold did not fill it by two fingers' breadth. Declared the finding of the gold to his ghostly father the first week in Lent, and by his advice kept it till Low Sunday. And two or three days after that he brought it to his ghostly father's chamber in the said bag and thence to the vicarage, where he put it over the court wall and left it. Reserved to himself 67*l.* which he delivered to Sir Alexander Emote, Sir William Saltonstalle and Sir Thomas Michell, priests, about 14 days after Low Sunday. Had given him some wood which lay under a pair of stairs in the hall of the vicarage by the vicar's parlour, and after taking away the wood, as he had heard that Dr. Hallesworthe was wont to hide money in the ground, he took a piked staff and struck into the ground and at the first stroke hit the pot. Took the money home in his sleeve. Further examined; he found in the pot a piece like to a skin of a finger's length all rotten, but neither box nor writing. Further: he spent 26*s.* 8*d.* of the money about his seeding, but all the rest is restored as before expressed.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* Depositio inventoris.

R. O. 5. Account of the demeanour of John Uvedale, lately sent by my lord Lieutenant to Halifax, in getting into my Lord's hands the sum of 300*l.* found hid in the earth in the vicarage there in a brazen pot under a stair by one —— Lascy in the time of the late rebellion; which money Dr. Hauldisworth, now vicar there, claims as his own.

1. My lord Lieutenant wrote his especial letters to Sir Rob. Nevyll and Robt. Chaloner, dwelling near Halifax, to assist the said John for knowledge of the truth in the premises and to get the money into my said Lord's hands.

2. After delivery of the letters, as there was some unkindness between the said Sir Robert and Sir Henry Savell, to whom the said John was principally sent, it was thought good to Uvedale and Chaloner that he should not personally repair with them to the said Sir Henry.

3. Uvedale and Chaloner therefore went to Sir Henry, who entertained them kindly at his manor of Thorney. And before delivering him my Lord's letters they said they were

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commanded by my said Lord to ask him certain questions in matters which touched the King, and desired he would answer as if sworn upon a book; which he said he was willing to do, and did, as appears by his examination signed by his own hand, and by the delivery of six several letters sent to him at divers times from the vicar of Halifax, which he had then ready in his bosom to deliver. Made a mark on the back of one of them in which mention was made of the money hid. After this they delivered to him my Lord's letters to which, as regards the delivery of the money in his custody, he answered as appears in his examination.

4. This day at the coming of the said Uvedale and Chaloner to Sir Henry's house they found with him one Ric. Listar of Halifax kinsman to the said vicar who had 86*l.* in his keeping, part of the said money, which was delivered to him by the said vicar.

R. O. 5. (*Second leaf, found apart*). "On the next morning the said John and Robert, taking their leave of the said Sir Henry, rode from thence to the foresaid Sir Rob. Nevell, making him privy unto all the premises (saving unto the said six letters of the vicar); and then the same Sir Robert, John Uvedale, and Challoner rode unto Halifax, where they examined Agnes Mawde, sister to the said vicar, upon the said articles." Her deposition appears by her confession to each article severally, and she went, at their request, to the vicarage, and showed the place under the stair where the pot and money were hid. On their return, her son, John Mawde, came in from the said Sir Henry Savell's place, with whom he did not speak, as he was not at home.

Finally examined John Mawde, who answered to each article, as appears in his confession, and acknowledged 145*l.* delivered to him by the vicar, of which he laid out 20*l.* on his own business.

"All these premises were of this sort, in manner and form before expressed, used and practised by the commandment of my said lord Lieutenant, the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd day of July A° 29 Hen. VIII.; at the doing whereof the said John Uvedale was personally present always. In witness whereof he hath subscribed these premises with his own hand," 30 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Jo. Uvedale.

In Uvedale's hand, pp. 3. *Endd.:* Gesta Mag. Uvedale.

6. Questions to be demanded of Sir Henry Savell, knight, and of others:—

1. If they ever knew of any great sums that the vicar of Halifax had? 2. If they ever saw any money of his in gold, silver, or any other strange coin? 3. How many years it is since they knew of it first? 4. If they knew in what place he kept it, and how much there was? 5. If they knew of the hiding of it in the earth, and where it was hid, and who were present, and how long ago? 6. How long this money now in their hands has remained with them? 7. To demand a book of the said vicar's, now remaining with the said Sir Henry Savell, in which mention is made of the vicar's money, plate, and debts.

In Uvedale's hand, p. 1.

30 July. **370.** SIR WILLIAM EURE to [NORFOLK].

R. O. St. P. v. 97. I received on the 29th your Grace's letter dated Helmeslay, 24 July. Accordingly repaired to the person specified, and learnt that the king of Scots has sent into France a secretary of the late queen and a Scotch gentleman to know the French king's pleasure. If they agree, then James will take the advice of the French king for his marriage, &c: if not, then that of the King our master. The French men, ladies, and gentlewomen remain in Scotland till they hear from France. The Scots are inclined for peace, though the borderers of both realms would have war. Norham, 30 July. *Signed.*

30 July. **371.** [HALL] to SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD.

R. O. Wrote last yesterday. This day after dinner Mollenbais and Lyekerk returned from Bomme, and have brought the truce, concluded for 10 months

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if the Emperor agree to it, which some say may extend to Italy and elsewhere by his consent. One of the French king's trumpets has notified it to the town of Tourwan, and this evening our folks have walked safely round the town upon the dike sides, they within also showing themselves upon the walls. I hear nothing yet of the articles, or of what the French shall yield. The Great Master, the duke of Arscott, and others dislike the conclusion; four times the money that would have won Tourwan will not bring this company together again. Fears those will smart who yielded to French promises. The Queen goes to-morrow from St. Omer to Mountte, Cassel, and so to Bruges. This evening Arscot, the Marquis of Barrow, and the Count Pynoye have gone to St. Omer's, chiefly because their wives are with the Queen. Though we have truce we still keep sharp watch. When the army dissolves I trust to see you at Calais. Tourwan, 30 July 1537.

In Hall's hand, pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

372. The War in Picardy.

Add. MS. 2103, f. 57 b. B. M.

In the month of July (*sic*) 1537, war being between the Emperor and Francis of France, after that king had taken the town and castle of Hesdin by siege, 14 April 1537, and had also the town and castle of St. Pol, the town of Lillers, the borough of St. Venant, and other small places, and burnt the country about Hesdin, Bapalmes, St. Omer, Aire, Bethune, and Gens, in which places his men committed inhuman outrages; after also that the said king had garrisoned St. Pol with 3,000 or 4,000 men, and made it so strong that he gave it the name Forte Ville, the Emperor's army under Floris d'Egmonde, Count de Bueren (with whom were the duke of Arschot, René de Nassau et de Chalon Prince of Orange, the Count de Roeulx, the Count d'Espinoy, the Sieur d'Isselstein, son of the said Count de Bueren, the Sieur de Molembaiz, the Seneschal de Hayun [Hainault], and others), with 7,000 horse, 30,000 foot, and a good equipage of artillery, found himself before St. Pol, which was taken by assault. There were slain 3,000 or 4,000 Frenchmen, among them 400 gentlemen, and the town was pillaged and burnt by reason of the trains of powder which the French had laid in it.

The Emperor's army then went to Monstroeul, where was captain the Sieur de Canaples, eldest son of the Sieur de Crequy, who after the Emperor's artillery had fired two volleys surrendered on condition of his men marching out free with their arms. With this condition the Emperor's footmen were so discontent that they mutinied, and to appease them the town was given to them to pillage. In the disorder the town was set on fire, a thing very pitiable. It was then decided to besiege Therouenne, in which was captain the Sieur de Bermeulle, brother of the Sieur de Crequy. However, before the siege the French king sent thither the Sieurs de Crequy and de Canny, and 800 horse. During the siege the king commanded the Dolphyn, being about Hesdin, to throw 600 arquebusiers into Therouenne at any risk. The Dolphyn for this chose the Sieur de Hennebault, chevalier of the Order of France, assisted by the Sieur de Piennes, a Frenchman born, but whose father and mother were Flemings. They did so well that by night they threw in the 600 arquebusiers. On their return, however, they fell among the Emperor's cavalry, who slew most of them, among whom were Hennebaut and Piennes and over a hundred gentlemen. The "Vidame dannes François" (*sic*) and the Sieur Sercus were captured, but rescued, but the son of the said Sercus remained prisoner. The Sieur de Molembaix gained great honour there, as he did at the taking of St. Pol.

After Therouenne was besieged, the sieur de Montmorency, grand master of France, being with the Dauphin, made proposals to De Roeulx for a truce in order to save Therouenne. De Roeulx reported this to Bueren and Arschot, and all referred it to the queen of Hungary, who had come to St. Omer to be near the army. Many approved the proposal, among them Jehan Hannart sieur de Liedekerke, who had been ambassador with the

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king of France. Finally, the Queen deputed Molenbaix and Liedekerke to confer with the deputies of France, *i.e.*, the Sieur de St. Andre Bourbonnois, chevalier of the Order of France, and the President Poyet, at the village of Bommy, a league from Therouenne. The conference concluded, Mr. Matthew Stric, secretary of the Emperor, and servant of the duke of Arschot, secretly informed M. Laurens Dobliol sieur du Sart, that it was necessary to draw up a truce, and, by command of the duke of Arschot, affirmed he had charge to pray him to send to Liedekerke the copy of the truce which was treated between Madame Margaret, archduchess of Austria, and Madame Louise of Savoy, when the present king of France was prisoner after the battle of Pavia (the copy of which truce is entered above).* Du Sart found it reasonable that the copy should be sent, but strange that neither the Queen, the abp. of Parma, chief of the Privy Council, Arschot, nor any other of the Council wrote of it. He, however, sent the copy to Arschot, and by the same narrative of the letter of the said secretary Stric, advertised him that at his desire he sent it. He added that in the year '25, the King being a prisoner, there was nothing to fear from the French, whereas now it was notorious that they only sought to treat in order to save Therouenne, that experience showed the French could be bound by no promises, that when we dismissed our German soldiers they would probably be taken up by the French, that the French might take occasion of this truce to range all their forces against the Emperor in Italy and join the Turk, who was said to be ready to descend upon the Emperor's countries. Gives numerous other arguments against the truce, which Du Sart also alleged in his letter to Arschot. The copy of the truce and this letter he gave to the said secretary Stric to give to Arschot.

Describes minutely the process of the negociations which were thereupon resumed at Bomy, and gives a copy of the truce which was then agreed upon, which breaks off abruptly at the end of the second clause with the words "pourveu que ce ne soit performe de guerre ne d'hostilité quelconque."

French, pp. 19. *In the same hand as No.* 125, *and written consecutively with it as part originally of the same book.*

Ibid. f. 66. 2. Fragment in the same handwriting as the preceding narrative, and probably a part of it.

"—— commodité des subjects des princes dune coste et dautre." And this journey to the queen of France the said de la Tieuloye made in company with Dr. Co[r]nille Scepperius, whom the said Queen Regent sent to the Emperor to learn his pleasure about the said treaty, with orders at the same time to report to the Emperor the queen of France's answer to Tieuloye.

The said Tieuloye reported that (*à* qu *que*?) the Queen, and the King too, showed themselves well affected to peace; and that Montmorency, the Grand Master, being in great credit with the King and Dauphin, told him, Tieuloye, that the King was ready to send deputies if the queen of Hungary desired a conference in some neutral place. These words, well considered, are rather dilatory than effective; and no wonder, for the French in the treaty made had greatly the advantage, and, on the other hand, the queen of Hungary, who had sent Scepperius to the Emperor, would probably not listen to a new treaty until she knew the Emperor's opinion of that of Bommy and his further pleasure.

The fact remains that if the arquebusiers and powder had not entered Therouenne, the town would have been forced to surrender; and as the

* The narrative is preceded by a copy of the truce concluded by the Ladies Regent of France and Flanders in 1525, and signed at Breda 16 July and Lyons 27 July of that year. (*This, bound in wrong order, proceeds ff.* 54, 53, 56, 57.)

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Emperor's spies must have known by the fire of the French at Eghuinegate that they were coming, and as they could only get into Therouenne by one gate, that of the Saint Esprit, towards Leable, it ought to have been easy to prevent them.
French, pp. 2.

30 July. **373.** THE TRUCE.

Egerton M.S. 990 f. 378. B. M. Truce of Bommy taken for ten months between France and Flanders, 30 July 1537. Printed in Leonard II. 399 and Ribier I. 56.
Fr., pp. 5. *Modern copy.*

31 July. **374.** THE PARISHIONERS OF ALL HALLOWS, OXFORD, to the BISHOP OF LINCOLN.

R. O. In favour of their curate who had been silenced by the bp. Beg that his suspension may be taken off as they believe it ordered on false information "because that he at Mr. Mayor's commandment made a collation to the maintenance of our most noble Prince's dignity and suppression of all his rebels at the general procession made for the Queen's grace's quickening with child." Hopes that he will be permitted to instruct them in God's commandments and the Articles of the Faith, which they regret they were not instructed in sooner. Oxford, 31 July.

Signed: Be me Wyll'm Freurs mayer of Oxford.—By me Davythe Pratt, bayly: *and subscribed* (*all in one hand*) *with the names of* Rayfe Shyngoltor *and twelve others.*
P. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

31 July. **375.** CROMWELL to the SHERIFF OF WEXFORD.

R. O. Received his letters and token by bearer. Has been a suitor to the King and obtained that an Act shall pass in the parliament there for the continuance of "your liberties." Sonnynghill, 31 July.
Copy, p. 1. *Headed* "Copy of the letter sent unto the sheriff of the County of Wexford."

376. HENRY VIII. to the ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN.

R. O. St. P. II. 465. Has heard of his lightness of behaviour and vainglory. Warns him that if he perseveres in his fond folly and ungentleness, the King can replace him by a man of more honesty.
Copy, pp. 3.

377. HENRY VIII. to the BISHOP OF METHE.

R. O. Hears he neglects to instruct the people and to promote the King's affairs. Warns him to look to both.
Copy, pp. 3. *Headed:* To the bishop of Methe.

31 July. **378.** IRELAND.

R. O. "Copy of instructions and commissions,"* viz.:—
Commission to Ant. Selenger, of Ulcome, Geo. Poulet, Thomas Moyle, and William Berners for the establishment of affairs in Ireland. (*See* No. 379.) *Dated* Sonnynghill, 31 July 29 Henry VIII.
ii. Commission for granting pardons (*see* No. 380.)
iii. Commission for letting March lands (*see* No. 381.) *Dated* Sonnynghill, 31 July 29 Henry VIII.
Pp. 5. *Endd.*

* Copies of these commissions are in Vol. 172 of Rymer Transcripts in R. O.

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[31 July.] **379.** IRELAND.

R. O. Commission to Ant. Selenger of Ulcombe, George Poulet, Thos. Moyle, and John* Berners to order affairs in Ireland, commanding the Deputy and Council to assist them.

Draft in Wriothesley's hand, pp. 3.

R. O. 2. Another draft of the same corrected by Wriothesley.

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R. O. 3. Another draft headed by Wriothesley "The general commission to the commissioners."

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R. O. 4. Modern copy of § 2.

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31 July. **380.** IRELAND.

R. O. St. P. II. 458. Commission for granting pardons to all implicated in the rebellion of Thomas Fitzgerald who shall come in between 31 August next and 1 July following and make a reasonable fine to the commissioners, lord Leonard Gray, Ant. Selenger of Ulcome, Geo. Poulet, Thos. Moyle, Wm. Barnes, Wm. Brabason, and Gerald Aylmere, or two of them. Sonnynghill, 31 July 29 Hen. VIII.

Draft, with corrections in Cromwell's hand. Headed by Wriothesley: The commission for the pardon.

R. O. 2. Draft of the same in Wriothesley's hand.

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R. O. 3. Warrant for the granting of pardons by lord Leonard Grey, Selenger, Poulet, Moyle, Berners, Aylmer, and Brabazon, or two of them; with the form of the pardons so to be granted.

Latin. Draft, pp. 3.

R. O. 4. Another draft of the above warrant without the form of pardon.

Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 5. Another draft of warrant and form of pardon.

Lat., pp. 3.

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R. O Commission to Ant. Selenger of Ulcombe, Geo. Poulet, Thomas Moyle, and John Bernes, "commissioners for this present addressed unto those parties," and Gerard Aylmer, Chief Justice, Wm. Brabason, Undertreasurer, and John Alen, Master of the Rolls, for letting of March lands, a special clause being inserted in every lease for the tenant to observe the acts for the use of the English tongue and habit and against alliances, familiarity, and intelligence with Irish rebels.

Draft, pp. 5. *Corrected by Wriothesley. Endd. by Wriothesley:* "Minutes of letters, &c. sent into Ireland by Anthony Selenger and other the commissioners."

R. O. 2. Rough draft of the same in Wriothesley's hand.

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* So here in some other papers, William Berners in No. 378.

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382. The Irish Commission.

R. O. St. P. II. 452.

Instructions to Ant. Sentleger of Ulcombe, George Poulet, Thos. Moyle and Wm. Berners, whom the King sends "at this time" into Ireland.

The King having been at great cost in repressing the late rebellion of the Geraldyns cannot but think that his good subjects there will be ready to grant what they have granted in England, and has sent the commissioners (*names them, Berners being styled one of the auditors of the Court of Augmentations*) who are to proceed as follows:—

First to enjoin the Deputy to summon the Council, before whom they shall declare their commission, which is to examine into the demeanour of all officers whatsoever, survey the revenues, and establish order for the quietude of the country. They shall then go to specialties, inquiring whether the Deputy has, as he ought to have, pledges from the Irishmen who might make trouble at the discharge of the retinue, and, if so, give the King's order for discharge of all but 340 picked men, who are to attend the Deputy and treasurer and garrison fortresses (*numbers for each given*). Wages of soldiers. Thos. Agarde, the Treasurer's clerk, brings the necessary money. Men to be discharged honestly, so that they shall not grudge or murmur. They shall then make an estimate and classified book of the revenues, view waste lands and let them to suitable tenants, and write to the King how best to maintain them. They shall reform all abuses in the King's Courts.

Divers Acts are drawn up and delivered to the commissioners to be passed in the Parliament there, *i.e.*, Acts touching proctors of Convocation, bp. of Rome's power, first fruits, defence of marches, liberties of Weysford, English dress and language, alliances with wild Irish and general pardon (*title of each given*). The Commissioners to set forth these in both houses of Parliament, and, when they are passed, proclaim that offenders may have pardons for reasonable fines to be assessed for the King's best profit. The Commissioners may join the Deputy with them. All fees to be paid by the Vice-treasurer, and, being paid, will leave, according to letters sent from the Council there, 4,000*l.* Irish. The Treasurer to account before the Deputy Chancellor, High Treasurer (or two of them) and barons of the Exchequer, and any surplus to be laid up in a chest in Dublin, of which chest the Vice-treasurer shall have a "diverse" key. The Commissioners to examine and sign all receipts and payments heretofore made by the Treasurer. The Chancellor, High Treasurer, Chief Justice, and Master of the Rolls to take monthly musters of all the Deputy's and Treasurer's men. The Vice-Treasurer to visit the garrisons quarterly. Wm. Sayntlowe to have his choice of one of the garrisons not already granted by letters patent with furniture like that limited to Carlingford. Young Dudley likewise to have a garrison. "Certain knowledges called blackrents" which are exacted by Irish rebels to be examined into. Lands which have come to the King by the Act of Suppression and by forfeiture, which now lie much in waste, to be let.

O'Brien's Bridge and the tower thereon, which were thrown down last year, are said to be rebuilt and stronger than ever. The negligence of the Deputy and the King's subjects bordering upon the Bridge, in suffering it to be rebuilt, to be inquired into. The opinions of all men of reputation there to be asked as to the best manner of reforming the land.

The earldom of Desmond being in dispute between "the son of Fitz-moryce," now here, and James son of Sir John Desmond, who now usurps the earldom, the Deputy and Council are to send for the said James, giving him a safe-conduct if required, and command him to submit himself, desire the King's pardon for his former offences and stand to their order as to his title. They shall then examine the titles, favouring this young man, because he is here with the king, as far as justice will allow. The revenues to come to this young man to be received by the King in part payment of what the King has spent on his entertainment.

Copy with marginal annotations by the Commissioners.

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382. The Irish Commission—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Imperfect draft of the same corrected and enlarged by Wriothesley. *Pp.* 35.

R. O. 3. Draft of the same, with corrections and additions by Wriothesley. *Pp.* 41. *Endd.:* The mynute of thinstructions for Ireland.

R. T. 172. 4. Modern copy of § 1.

R. O. 5. "Articles to be parcel of the commissioners' instructions, if your lordship think them convenient."

1. That the Act lately certified from hence for the restraint of wool may be enacted without any exception. 2. That the Acts of the 20th of the spirituality and of the clerks of the four courts may be enacted without hindrance of any suit to the contrary, or alteration. 3. As the King will not demand the 20th of the temporalty, the commissioners should declare this to the commons to make them more zealous and conformable. 4. To examine feoffments and see that they are not made to defraud the King of the custody of lands of minors. 5. To survey the King's lands. 6. Divers sue to be gunners in Dublin Castle and lately Richard —— (*blank*) has a bill signed for 8*d.* a day by means of some of the Privy Chamber and has sent it thither to be sealed without passing the signet or privy seal contrary to statute. I reckon it more necessary to keep the garrisons on the marches. The Commissioners should inquire whether such a charge be necessary for Dublin Castle, and if not to stop the bill; also to appoint that those having such rooms shall serve personally.

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383. [Robert Cowley] to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. II. 445. Although the Council of Ireland have sufficiently informed Cromwell of matters there, doubts not he will accept this. The authority of the Commissioners is no doubt ample. The holds in the marches should be granted to powerful men there with an annual rent reserved. The Fasaghe Rebane, Wodstock and other peels in O'More's country, Fassaghe Bentre, Fassaghe Rathaingan, Oliver FitzGerald's lands and other lands in West Meath lie waste and will again become a refuge for the Irishry. If well inhabited it would be a fortification of the Englishry. Certain peels of Kildare and Delahide bordering upon O'Conor's country are likewise a great defence to the Pale and are now waste. The Butlers, the baron of Delvyn and his sons and Wm. Brymeghame are the most trustworthy of that land. Peter Talbot and other Welshmen might be assisted to build and dwell among the Tooles "who most noyeth about Dublin." The time is fitting for the Commissioners to utterly crush the Irish, who were never in such dread as now. Horsemen should have but two horses and two horseboys a-piece, whereas now they have three at least, and to maintain them rob the poor earth tillers. Any act of general pardon should enact that the Commissioners' signatures shall be sufficient warrant for the Great Seal. James of Desmond, the pretended earl, being in Ireland, is very strong. Nevertheless as this gentleman here* seeks succour of the King he should have the better remedy. If he in Ireland would make submission the King might have both their services and thus enfeeble the Brenes and McCarthies. Carlingford, Straingford and Green Castle. . . . O'Karroll is chief succourer of O'Connor. There has long been strife in Munster among the Desmonds, lords FitzMaurishe, Barry, Roche, the White Knight and Knight of the Valley, most of whom are lords of Parliament; order would be restored by settling the dispute about the earldom of Desmond. The season is too late for any great enterprise; but on the arrival of the commissioners the Deputy,

* James FitzMaurice.

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Ossory, and the English Pale should "peruse" the Irishry of the marches and exact pledges to keep the peace until a certain month next year. "Galloglahes" are a kind of "Sowchynners" (Swiss) who serve for wages: not eight in 200 of them are gentlemen and all the rest are "sklawes" gathered out of the Irishry, whose masters have some gain by them. They are untrustworthy. The lords marchers ought to retain their own and keep captains for them. Ossory would build and inhabit in five or six places upon the MacMorrowes and Kevanaghes if the King would do the like in O'Drone and McMorrowes country adjoining. This might be done by the present army without alarming the other Irishry. Has before delivered Cromwell books of a scheme for a general reformation. The English inhabitants would gladly assist in building peels. The poor English earth tillers in the Pale, who cannot live in such penury and misery as the Irish are replaced, through the greed of their lords, by Irish tenants who neither speak English nor wear cap nor bonnet. Such as have March lands should be bound to serve with a certain number of men. Victuals have been very dear in Dublin and Waterford this year past, by reason of the abode of the army there: it (the army) should be distributed in holds about the country. The old statutes of Kilkenny against amities between English and Irish, and for extending English manners, to be renewed. Harpers, rymers, Irish chroniclers, bards and "isshallyn" go about to gentlemen of the English Pale, praising in rymes (or "danes") their extortions and robberies as valiantness, and foster an Irish disposition in them. An Irishman will rob a church for silk or saffron to go gay at a feast. Lye Castle situate upon the Moores and Dempsies to be manned by the baron of Kilcullyn, James McGeralde and Kildare county. The country about Kenles is wasted by the Reylies and has no leader, as the Plunketts are at discord among themselves; Gerald Fleming is the hardiest captain there and should be assisted.

The country should be guarded against O'Nele, O'Reilly, O'Kelley, and O'Melaghlyn, and kept by the barons of Delvyn and Slane at home, whilst the Deputy, Ossory, Butler, and the county of Kildare attack McMorrow and the Kevanaghes, and inhabit in O'Drone. The Butlers to re-inhabit Ormond, and the King Offally, O'Mulmoy's country and O'Dwynne's country. Alloyne to be fortified as a hold over the Kelleys and O'Melaghlyn. The Burkes and Kelleys. The Brymedghams to fortify Portlester. This Cahir Roo O'Connor to keep O'Connor in exile. Lord Eustace and the county of Kildare to fortify Rathangan against O'Connor, O'Dympsey, and O'More. Lord Butler to assist Catherlagh and Kilkaa. Ballymore and Tawlaght, belonging to the abp. of Dublin, the best strongholds against the Tooles and Birnes. Coyne and livery unnecessary in the heart of the Pale must be continued on the marches. All Irish on this side Shannon to be prosecuted, subdued, and exiled; and likewise a little number of Brenes and Tooles beside Dublin. *Not signed.*

In Cowley's hand. Mutilated. Endd.: For Ireland.

31 July. **384.** The Irish Commission.

R. O. Bill given 31 July, 29 Hen. VIII., by Ant. Sentleger, Thomas Moyle, and Wm. Berners of receipt from Lord Cromwell by the hands of Patrick Barnewell of the books and writings following:—Twelve Acts to be enacted in Ireland (in two books under the Broad Seal), namely, 1, for the use of the English tongue; 2, against the usurpation of procurators; 3, marchers to dwell on their lands; 4, liberty of Wexford; 5, the pardon; 6, first fruits; 7, bp. of Rome; 8, alliance with rebels; 9, succession; 10, the 20th of the spiritualty; 11, officers and clerks; 12, suppression. Books of account of Wm. Brabason for Mich. anno 26, Easter anno 27, and Mich. anno 27. A parchment roll of declaration of the said accounts and other revenues. A parchment roll of declaration by Brabazon of money received out of England. A paper roll of the King's revenues in Ireland. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

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385. HENRY VIII. to LORD LEONARD GREY.

R. O. St. P. II. 464. Sends Ant. Selenger of Ulcome, Geo. Poulet, Thos. Moyle, and John Barnes as commissioners. Thanks for services against Ochonour.
Copy.

386. HENRY VIII. to the DEPUTY AND COUNCIL OF IRELAND.

R. O. Sends Ant. Selenger of Ulcom, George Poulet, Thos. Moyle, and John Barnes, to whom they shall give credence, and whose order they shall obey. Order to assist them in every way.
Pp. 3. *Copy, headed by Wriothesley:* "To the Deputy and the Council."

R. O. 2. Rough draft of the above in Wriothesley's hand.
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387. HENRY VIII. to the VICE-TREASURER OF IRELAND.

R. O. To the same effect.
Copy, pp. 3.

388. HENRY VIII. to the LORDS OF PARLIAMENT IN IRELAND.

R. O. Sends by the commissioners certain things to be concluded in Parliament. Requires them each to conform himself to the King's pleasure, and if any one will not, "we shall look so upon him with our princely eye as his ingratitude therein shalbe little to his comfort."
P. 1, *in a later hand.*

II. The same to the Commons House.
To the same effect.
Pp. 2, *in a later hand.*

R. O. 2. Modern copies of the above. *Pp.* 2.

R. O. 3. Act of Parliament to be passed in Ireland for the ratification of all pardons to be granted by Selenger, Poulet, Moyle, Bernes, Brabazon, Aylmer, and ——— (*blank*), or two of them, commissioners for that purpose.
Draft in Wriothesley's hand, pp. 6.

389. THE IRISH COMMISSION.

R. O. Correspondence of Cromwell with the Irish Commissioners, from a letter book. An abstract of each letter will be found under its date.

I. Cromwell to the Commissioners. Windsor, 28 Aug.
II. Ditto. Sunninghill, 1 Aug.
III. Ditto. Windsor, 7 Aug.
IV. Ditto. Dunstable, 8 Aug.
V. Ditto. Windsor, 6 Aug.
VI. Desmond to Henry VIII. Kilmallock, 8 July.
VII. Cromwell to the commissioners. Ampthill, 9 Aug.
VIII. Ditto. Windsor, 25 Aug.. 29 Hen. VIII.
IX. Ditto. Ampthill, 9 Aug.
X. Ditto. Ampthill, 11 Aug.
XI. Ditto. Windsor, 6 Aug., 29 Henry VIII.
XII. Ditto. Stepney, 23 Sept.
XIII. Ditto. Stepney, 28 Sept.
XIV. Ditto. Mortlake, 23 Sept.

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31 July. **390.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VII. 704. News came this afternoon of the conclusion of a 10 months' truce—terms yet unknown. Great murmuring among the men of war—especially the High Almains. The lord of Brederode protested he would not forsake his men till summer were past, showing that he meant to make war against the duke of Holst in favour of King Christian who is still a prisoner. He said he was sure 7,000 or 8,000 in the camp would go with him on that enterprise without a penny. Thinks the truce was taken only for lack of money and will be injurious to these parts. Before Turwyn, 31 July.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 July. **391.** QUEEN MARY OF HUNGARY to the BAILLY, MAYOR, and ECHEVINS OF AIRE.

Galba B. x. 70. B. M. Notwithstanding the successes of the Emperor's army before Therouenne and elsewhere, a truce has been concluded by the intervention of neutrals, according to the enclosed *billet*. Orders them to publish it. Has disbanded the army and provided for the pay of the men, for which she gives instructions. St. Omer, 31 July, 1537.

Fr., p. 1. *Copy. Endd.* The proclamacion of the trewes.

Ib. f. 69. ii. Note of publication of the truce at Aire, 1 August, 1537.

Fr. copy, p. 1.

392. [CROMWELL to the DUKE OF NORFOLK.]

R. O. As the King has given the keeping of Bamborough castle to the bearer, Master Horseley, and his Grace is informed that it is in great decay, his pleasure is that your Lordship cause one or two of the Council there to ride thither and report what repairs are needful to make it habitable.

Draft, in Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

393. SIR JOHN DUDLEY, Vice-Admiral.

Otho. E. IX. 38. Instructions for Sir John Dudley "[whom the King's Grace] sendeth to the seas as h[is Vice Admiral] at this time for the purposes . . . . . ."

B. M. Owing to the complaints of English merchants of depredations by ships of war as well of Biscay, Spain and the Low Countries as of Normandy, Britanny, and elsewhere in the French King's dominions, the King, though he is in league with both powers, sends Sir John Dudley his Vice-Admiral to sea with certain ships. They shall get ready and "at their being v . . . . . keep their course and trade between the Downs . . . . . the coast westward by the Isle of Wight to the lan . . . . called St. Michael's Mount as as the wind [shall] serve, and so off and on between Hushant [and] Sylly, and once to look to Londaye and to the [mouth] of Savern, and from thence to return, and so to k[eep the] Narrow Seas, unless some special occasion shall move a[nd] enforce them to leave the set course before expressed;" in which case their course is left to Dudley's discretion. He is to have a good eye to the succour of English merchants, and if they meet any men of war, French or Imperial, whom they have reason to suspect of spoiling English subjects as chiefly they of France have lately done, they shall first consider their own power and do what they can to apprehend them without danger. And if they meet with any merchant man French or Imperial, who under colour of [traffic] has robbed the King's subjects, they shall see that he be punished as a pirate. For both sides have used themselves towards the King with such extremity that his honor can no longer suffer it. Sir John is to write his proceedings to the King from time to time.

Draft, with corrections by Wriothesley, pp. 6. *Mutilated.*

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July. **394.** JOHN ROK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends copies of the obligation wherein the city of Lubeck is bound to the King for 3,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* His master* has licensed him for this fortnight to visit his friends in the country, and chiefly because this quarter is so sore visited and infected. Will forbear till he knows Cromwell's pleasure. Tuesday morning.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* July.

395. "FOR MR. KNEVET."

R. O. Letters of the King's own hand—Letters to the Dauphin, the Great Master, M. de Guise, my lord of Winchester; my lord's letters to my lord of Winchester; the instructions signed; letters to the lord deputy of Calais and my lord Chamberlain for Barlo.

P. 1. *Endd.:* The note of Mr. Knevet's despatch into France.

396. RIC. [SAMPSON], Bp. of Chichester, to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Asks his favour for his kinsman Frevell, the bearer, who wants letters of commendation from "my good lord" [Cromwell] to the prior of Ely for a certain vacant room. Cannot wait on him for the reason Wriothesley knows. Monday morning at my poor lodging in the Stronde.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.* The bisshopp of Chester (*sic*).

397. JOHN THOMSON, Master of the Maison Dieu, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Before Christmas last I showed your lordship, at the Rolls, the King's money was not so well spent as might be; desiring leave to choose 6 or 7 score labourers, with 10 tumbrels and 8 boats and 120*l.* or 140*l.*, with which I promised as good service as 300 or 400 men then did. Was allowed to do so and in 2 months the Easterly jetty of the King's device was set forth 6 score "foots" and partly filled. Then the Comptroller advertised me to "mell" no further, but wait till Mr. Candysshe came, who discharged me, to the danger of the works "and cause that whose (ooze) pust and filth hath entered the harbour." The Easterly jetty might have been finished ere this and before any "wose, pust or prebiles" had entered. As it is now time of herring fishing, please let it be finished. If it does not please the King I will spend all I have to take it down again. If your Lordship think I can do service, I beg I may not be troubled with other men's commands, which only waste the King's treasure, as proved in the last 6 or 7 months. Where it is said that I and William Legeant, mariner, reported to the King at Hampton Court much untruth concerning the jetties, harbours, and putting back of "preble stones"; between the East North East jetty head and the foreland of St. Margaret's there shall be slack water 7 fathoms without stream or tide. Such a harbour would command the Narrow Seas. Offers to prove his words, if let alone. Dovor. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

398. THE EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND'S LANDS.

R. O. "A Remembrance of the decrease of the late earl of Northumberland's lands in Cumberland, Northumberland, and Yorkshire; and also of increase that may be made of the same lands."

First, the earl of Sussex had of the late earl of Northumberland lands in Norfolk and Suffolk worth 96*l.* a year in exchange for the third part of Egremont, Cumbld., worth 36*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*—a clear loss of 59*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* a year.

* John Gostwick.

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Yet it was conditioned by Act of Parliament that if Northumberland died without issue male, Egremont should revert to the earl of Sussex, who therefore now has both. Md. the earl of Sussex owed to the old Earl of Northumberland 50*l.* as appears by bill. Sir Thos. Wharton has of the earl of Northumberland in tail male the herbage of Cockermouth park, &c. for 26*s.* 8*d.* a year, which is worth 36*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*; also a free annuity of 100 mks. allowed this 10 years; and also the towns of Great Browghtton, Little Browghton, Dean, Wynffell, Birteby, and Calbeke Underfell, parcel of the honour of Cockermouth, for 72*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.*, the accustomed rent being 73*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.*; and the said annuity of 100 mks. is deducted out of the rent of these 6 towns which are thus severed from the honour of Cockermouth; also the lieutenantship of Cockermouth and constableship of Egremont; and also the manors of Helley and Catterton, Yorks. for nothing, though worth 65*l.* 14*s.* 9½*d.* a year, and containing woods worth 1,000 mks. Sir Thomas Wharton has also to him and his heirs the farmhold of Exton beside Tadcaster, worth 26*s.* 8*d.*, never allowed. Sir Reynold Carnaby has the dam of Ovingham for 66*s.* 8*d.* a year, though worth 110*l.*, a decrease of 106*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* "after the rate it was in the old Earl's time." Sir Reynold has also the manor of Corbrige and wood called Depden and the park of Langley (*values and rents given*). Where Sir Reynold has the dam of Ovingham, and one Fishe that of Warkworth, paying for both 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, if their years were redeemed and the dams made with stone it would be 200 marks or 100*l.* a year at least; for now every third or fourth year it costs for repairs 40*l.* in timber, which can ill be spared in Northumberland. There is a field of coals called Bitterlaw, 2 miles from Newcastle, now let for 20 mks., which would be worth 100 mks. if the watergate were won, which might be done for 200 mks. Sir George Lancaster has a fee of 20 mks., &c. out of Warkworth which the King might redeem for a benefice worth 20*l.* a year. Sir Thomas Johnson has a lease of the herbage of the Little park of Topclyff for 66*s.* 8*d.* a year, though worth 10*l.* Nicasious Hannou has a lease of the Great park of Wressel for 12*d.* a year, old rent 20*s.* Cuthbert Carnabe has a lease of herbage of Newsham park at 3*s.* 4*d.*, old rent 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The said Cuthbert has also of the earl's gift the lordship of Hoke in Merchland, worth 10*l.* a year, for which the Earl gave Sir Edw. Semer 17*l.* worth a year of the Pounyngs' lands in exchange. There belongs to the manor of Lekingfelde a "care" called Arham Care, wherein are many breeding swans and good fishing, which was reserved for the Earl's pleasure and may now be let by the King for 20*l.* There are supposed to be within the honour of Cockermouth mines of gold, silver, and lead, which divers persons there are willing to work if the King will give them a third part of the tenth part of the profits.

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399. Fulford.*

R. O. Rough map showing "the way from Fulford" which is continued almost in a straight line as "the way to Wressyll" with "the gate" midway near which "the way to Cawood" diverges at right angles, and afterwards takes a bend, where it is marked "The way to Cawood, and here my lord was at the fray and with (?) ———" A corn field, two rye fields, "green lesnes" and a hedge are also marked.

* No clue has been found to the date of this document or to the "fray" referred to in it; but the latter was most likely between tenants of the abp. of York and of the earl of Northumberland.

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400. Ric. Bowier *alias* Stirley to Cromwell.

R. O. Reminds Cromwell of his promise to move the King in his behalf. Twenty-eight years ago, being of counsel with the house of Welbeck, in reward for his exertions to obtain the exemption of the "Premonstratens" Order in England from their head house in France, he was made registrar and scribe to the Order, with fees of 40*s.* and costs at every election of an abbot, and 6*s.* 8*d.* at every visitation of any of their 30 houses, besides a yearly fee of 22*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* from the whole Order. He had also 40*s.* fee for the keeping of Fosse by patent of the late lord Darcy. All these he has lost, and he has a wife and children to support. Begs an allowance of monastic lands in the city of York.

Hol., p. 1, *broad sheet. Add. at the head:* To &c., Sir Thomas Cromwell, knt., lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal.

401. The Bishops' Book.

R. O. Various portions of the Bishops' Book on the Sacraments, in different hands.

At p. 65 are the signatures of Cromwell and of Cranmer and the other bishops and divines: among them "Robertus Aldrige," not then bishop.

At pp. 77 and 79 is written in Tunstall's hand, "Bishops' Book."

Pp. 135, *numbered* 21–172 *in a volume of theological treatises, some pages being blank.*

R. O. 2. "Of Justification."

Begins: "As touching Justification, we think it convenient that all bishops and preachers shall instruct and teach the people."

Ends: "that we should walk in them."

Pp. 17, *numbered in the same volume* 173–189.

R. O. 3. "The article concerning the souls of them which be departed this life."

Begins: "As touching the souls of them which be departed."

Ends: "and other like abuses."

Pp. 8 (*pp.* 191–8 *of same volume*), *with corrections by Henry VIII.*

R. O. 4. Second draft of an article in § 1, referring to page 120.

Pp. 3.

R. O. 5. An earlier draft of that portion which refers to the spiritual jurisdiction [under the Sacrament of Orders.]

Begins: Thirdly we will that all bishops and preachers shall instruct and teach our people.

Ends: offences contrary to the laws of God.

Pp. 33, *numbered* 215–249 *in another theological volume. Headed in Tunstall's hand:* "Bishops' Book" *and corrected by him.*

ii. On the same subject.

Latin, pp. 2 (*numbered* 251–2). *In Tunstall's hand.*

iii. Other portions of the same.

Pp. 16, *numbered* 253–270, *two pages being blank.*

iv. Another fragment of the same, with the preface.

Begins: It was never done without great cause.

Pp. 55, numbered 273–330, *three being blank.*

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R. O. 6. Draft preface and commencement to the work, as in § 5, iv. Marked "A."

Pp. 28, *numbered* 315–342 *in another volume. With many corrections some of which are in Cromwell's hand.*

R. O. 7. Continuation of the same, marked "B.", relating to the second article in the Creed.

Pp. 18, *numbered* 243–261 *in another volume, one page being blank.*

R. O. 8. Another fragment of the same.

Draft, much corrected, pp. 2. *Endd. by Tunstall:* Byshop Bok.

402. "The Institution of a Christian Man."

Wilkins III. 830. The Convocation's preface addressed to the King, setting forth the plan of the work, and desiring that it may be printed and set forth with the Supreme authority. *Signed by* Thos. abp. of Canterbury, John bp. of London, Stephen bp. of Winchester, John bp. of Exeter, John bp. of Lincoln, John bp. of Bath, Roland bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, Thos. bp. of Ely, Nic. bp. of Sarum, John bp. of Bangor, Edw. bp. of Hereford, Hugh bp. of Worcester, John bp. of Rochester, Ric. bp. of Chichester, Wm. bp. of Norwich, Wm. bp. of St. David's, Robt. bp. of St. Asaph, Robt. bp. of Llandaff; Edward archbishop of York, Cuthbert bp. of Durham, Robt. bp. of Carlisle; Ric. Wolman, archd. of Sudbury, Wm. Knight, archd. of Richmond, John Belle, archd. of Gloucester, Edm. Bonner, archd. of Leicester, Wm. Skipp, archd. of Dorset, Nic. Heath, archd. of Stafford, Cuthb. Marshall, archd. of Nottingham, Ric. Curren, archd. of Oxford; Wm. Cliffe, Geoff. Downes, Robt. Oking, Ralph Bradforde, Ric. Smith, Simon Matthews, John Pryn, Wm. Buckmaster, Wm. May, Nic. Wotton, Ric. Coxe, John Edmundes, Thos. Robertson, John Baker, Thos. Barret, John Nase, John Tyson, of theology and of law, ecclesiastical and civil, professors.

403. Confirmation.

Cleop. E. v. 73. B.M. Strype's Ecc. Mem. I. II. No. 88. The judgments of [Edw. Lee]* abp. of York, [Tho. Goodrich] bp. of Ely, [Hilsey] bp. of Rochester, [Longland] bp. of Lincoln, my lords of Bangor and Salisbury,† [Stokesley] bp. of London,‡ [Cranmer] abp. of Canterbury,‡ Dr. Wotton ["sometime dean of Canterbury and York"], Dr. Barbar [sometime advocate in the Arches], Dr. Bell [archdeacon of Gloucester], Dr. Wolman [archdeacon of Sudbury and afterwards dean of Wells], Dr. Marshal [archdeacon of Nottingham], Dr. Cliff [chanter of York, afterwards dean of Chester], Dr. Edmunds [master of Peterhouse, Cambridge], Dr. Downes [chancellor of York], Dr. Marmaduke, [Sampson bishop of Chichester]§, Dr. Robinson, Dr. [Richard] Smith [sometime public professor of divinity at Oxford], Dr. Buckmaster [vice-chancellor of Cambridge in 1528, 1537, and 1538] on the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Most of these are in the authors' own handwritings, but not signed. Cranmer's has this postscript in his hand, "Hec respondeo, salvo semper eruditiorum et ecclesie orthodoxe judicio," and a similar postscript follows that of Dr. Barbar. The name of each divine is written at the head of his answers by Wriothesley.

Pp. 37. *The individual answers vary in length from a few lines to six or eight pages.*

* The names and designations here printed in brackets, though given in Strype as if contained in the document itself, are not in the original. The leaves seem to have been transposed since Strype printed the paper.

† Strype omits the bp. of Salisbury, who returns a joint answer with Salcote bp. of Bangor.

‡ The answers of Cranmer and Stokesley are printed separately in Burnet, IV. 296.

§ Called by Strype "another divine nameless," but he is identified by his handwriting.

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404. The Sacraments.

R. O. Apparently a preface to one of Henry's Books, stating his sorrow that any should have been found so malicious as to find fault with the statements already set forth by authority relative to three of the sacraments; and that now the other four having been added, it is the duty of all faithful subjects to receive the same.

Beginning wanting.

Ends:—"And finally to endeavor ourselves for a correspondence of our most reverend love again towards his Majesty to purge and suppress all such corrupt and cankered stomachs as in word or deed would malign or attempt that thing that might sound to the dishonor or slander of his most noble person or of any of his honorable and prudent Council."

Pp. 10.

405. The Sacraments.

R. O. A remonstrance addressed to the King against the use of the term Seven Sacraments, and the errors propagated among the laity from a misunderstanding of their nature.

Imperfect, beginning with Article XII. Ending with the words: "Wherefore we beseech your Grace that the said anoyling may hereafter be administered to every one of the clergy as it is to the lay people:" *followed by these words which are cancelled:* "Notwithstanding if it be thought that the name of the Sacrament, that is to say, as well of the sacrament of matrimony as the sacrament of penance"——

Pp. 20.

R. O. 2. A treatise[by Moryson] on the Seven Sacraments.

Begins:—"There is great controversy in the Church of the number, use, and efficacy of the Sacraments."

Ending with extreme unction and the words, "I have lost no labor if your Lordship, unto whom I owe as much as I can perform, take it thankfully."

In Moryson's hand, pp. 28.

R. O. 3. A fragment on the education of the nobility.

Begins: "In discussing matter of reason."

Pp. 2. *In Moryson's hand, and probably by him.*

406. Moryson.

R. O. A common place book.

Lat., in Moryson's hand, pp. 37.

R. O. 2. A sermon by the same on Prov. xvii. 1.

Lat., pp. 3.

407. Theology.

R. O. On the three Sacraments, Baptism, the Altar, and Confirmation.

Begins: "First that the said three Sacraments have been a long time past."

Ends: "of all the other virtues and graces of the Holy Ghost."

Draft, pp. 9, *with corrections in the King's hand; the last page cancelled.*

408. Theology.

R. O. Statement showing that the election and investiture of bishops belongs to the King only.

Begins: Moreover that the heathen King's election.

Ends: by the law of God and man.

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409. Theology.

Cleop. E. v. 48. B. M. Burnet, iv. 293.

A set of fifteen questions on theology with an especial bearing on the position and duties of the clergy, the reasons why men should wish the Bishop of Rome restored, the reverence paid to images, the validity of certain canons of the Council of Chalcedon (one against monasteries once consecrated being made residences for laymen), and the sacraments of confirmation, order, matrimony, and extreme unction.*

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410. [Foxe Bishop of Hereford] to Bucer.

R. O.

I am bound to you for your kindness to me in Germany and am glad you wished to dedicate your *Enarrationes* on the Gospels to me.† I must honestly confess, however, that the troubles of these days have not allowed me time to enjoy the reading of them. No doubt you have heard of these tragedies and tumults which have lately been stirred up by wicked men among us and which might have led to great evil had they not been promptly extinguished by the policy of the best of princes (*optimi principis*), who when he saw all appeased immediately turned his mind to promulgating the Gospel. He therefore charged the bishops and doctors convoked for that purpose to compile certain rudiments of Christianity and a Catechism which I now send you in English and will shortly send you in Latin. Renewed professions of friendship. Begs remembrance to Gaspar Hedio to whom he owes much. If Bucer wishes to hear anything of Britain, he will find the bearer a youth of learning.

On the opposite page in other handwritings "R^do ac multis nominibus suspiciendo fratri Dno. Fabricio Capitoni"——"your assurydly G"; *and a draft paragraph from which it appears the bearer is an Englishman of noble family.*

Latin, draft with corrections.

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Begins : "Quanquam te doctissime Bucere, talem esse semper arbitratus sum."

411. Grants in July 1537.

July. Grants.

1. Will. Smythe. Grant in fee (for 460*l.* 6*s.*) of 14 messuages or tenements in London, viz.:—one now in the tenure of John Fenne, ironmonger, in St. Laurence Lane, in the parish of St. Laurence, Old Jewry, London, and three others thereto adjoining, now in the several tenures of Will. Southwood, goldsmith, Rob. Longe, mercer, and John Blundell, mercer; another messuage and three others thereto adjoining, now in the several tenures of Ric. Jerveys, mercer, Will. Croks, tallow-chandler, and Hen. Adams, barber, in Bowe lane, in the parish of St. Mary *de Arcubus* (St. Mary le Bow); and seven others, new built, now in the tenure of Sir Ralph Waren, citizen and alderman of London, in Adelstrete, St. Mary Aldermanbury, London, with all houses, shops, solors, &c.; all which belonged to the priory of Elsingspyttyll, London, lately suppressed. Annual value, 37*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* To be held in as full manner as Roger Potton, the late prior, held the same, by the annual rent of 3*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*, which is a true tenth. *Del.* Westm., 1 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 33.

2. The Cistercian monastery or abbey of St. Mary, Croxdon, Cov. and Lich. dioc., co. Staff. Exemption from suppression. Thos. Chawner to be abbot. *Del.* Westm. 2 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 18.

* This document seems to be in the handwriting of Dr. Heynes. It has been supposed to be in that of Cranmer, which it certainly is not, and Burnet has printed it with the unwarrantable heading, which has been copied in other collections :—"Some queries put by Cranmer in order to the correcting of several abuses."

† The first edition of the *Enarrationes* was published at Strasburg in 1530 and dedicated to the university of Marburg. There was a second edition published at Basle in 1536, which was dedicated to Foxe bishop of Hereford. See Hagenbach's Väter der Reformirten Kirche, Pt. III. 599. The date "1536" probably means the beginning of the historical year 1537.

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Grants.

3. John Gostwyk. Licence (for 10 mks.) to alienate the manor or lordship of Wyllyngton *alias* Wyllyton, Beds, and the chief messuage of the said John in Wyllyngton, lately rebuilt by the said John, and in which he now dwells, to Oliver Leder and John Colbek; and to the said Oliver and John to regrant the same to the said John Gostwyk, and Joan his wife. Westm. 2 July. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 25.

4. Anth. Hamonde. Annuity of 10*l.* issuing from certain messuages, &c. in Dawne and Pyllyngton, Yorks., late of John Nowell, deceased, during the minority of John Nowell, s. and h. of the said John; with the wardship and marriage of the said heir. *Del.* Westm. 2 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 23.

(2.) Duplicate with slight variations.—S.B.

5. *Worcestershire.*—Rob. Acton, Ralph Sheldon, and Geo. Willoughby. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Roger Wynter; and whether Tiberhunger be parcel of the manor of Cokesey or not, or whether it be a manor of itself; and also whether Eliz. Wynter, late wife of the said Roger, be married since his death or not. Westm., 2 July. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38 *d.*

6. Chr. Dysmars. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in co. Wilts. *Del.* Westm., 3 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 7.

7. Hen. Russell. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in co. Worc. *Del.* Westm., 3 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 7.

8. Hen. Champnes. Livery of lands, as brother and heir of Anth. Champnes, deceased, viz., of all which came or shall come to the King's hands by the death of said Anthony or by the death of Joan Champnes, mother of said Henry. *Del.* Westm., 3 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

9. *Cheshire.*—Sir Will. Stanley, John Massy of Puddyngton, and Roger Hassall. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Thos. Damport of Henbury. Westm. 3 July. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

10. Abbey of St. Mary, Brusyard, Norwich dioc., of the order of St. Claire. Exemption from suppression; Mary Page to be abbess. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m* 6.

11. The Benedictine monastery or priory of St. Mary, Nesham, Durham dioc. Exemption from suppression; Joan Lawson to be prioress. *Del.* . . . . . July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* (4 July), *p.* 5, *m.* 5.

12. The Augustinian priory of St. Thomas the Martyr, Stafford. Exemption from suppression; Ric. Whyttewell to be prior. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 17.

13. Sir Edw. Grey lord Powys. Grant in tail male of the site, &c. of the suppressed abbey of St. Mary, Bildwas, Salop; the church, &c. of the said late abbey; and all messuages, &c. in the said site, &c.; the manors or granges called Harnage graunge, Hatton graunge, Gofford graunge, Rucley graunge, Stricheley graunge, Cormeil and Monkmeil graunge, Bilton *alias* Biketon graunge, Salop; Broketon Ulner graunge, and Watton graunge, Staff.; Irenbrok graunge, with a water-mill there, Derb.; and all lands, &c. in Harnage, Hatton, Gofford, Rucley, Stricheley, Cormeil, Monkemeal *alias* Monkemeil, Bilton *alias* Biketon Ruton Lich, Albrighton, Upton, the town of Shrewsbury, Adney, Reweley, Newporte, Litell Bildewas, Sutton Madok, Ruggs, Shenton, Oldefeld, Kymerton, Riton, Ragedon, Brigenorth, Bildwas, Longedon, and Terne, Salop; Broketon Ulner, and Walton, Staff.; and Irenbruk, Derby; the churches and rectories of Leighton, Bildwas and Hatton, with tithes of Hatton, with all chantries, glebelands, &c. belonging to the said churches, rectories, &c.; and all manors, messuages, &c. in the said vills and places belonging to the said abbey, as enjoyed by Stephen, the late abbot, or his predecessors. To hold by the annual rent of 55*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* to the Court of Augmentations, and be exempt from payment of annuities granted by the convent, *i.e.*, 12*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, to George earl of Shrewsbury, Will. Shorleton of Appeley, Roger Charleton, Ric. Foster of Willyngton, and John Foster, mercer, to the use of Ric. Emery, formerly abbot there; 6*s.* 8*d.* to Thos. Atkynson; 20*s.* to Will. Charleton; 26*s.* 8*d.* to Steph. Peyll; 66*s.* 8*d.* to Edw. Laken; and 16*l.* (granted by the Court of Augmentations) to Stephen Grene, late abbot of Bildewas; 8*s.* to Geo. Bond, tiler; 3*s.* 4*d.* to Will. Wynnyshurste, cooper; and 10*s.* to a certain barber. *Del.* Westm. 4 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

14. Ric. Gresham, citizen and merchant, London. Licence to alienate the manors of Estorpe and Magna Bryche and the hundred of Lexden, with 12 messuages and certain acres of land, meadow, &c. in Estorpe and Magna and Parva Bryche, to Sir Thos. Audeley, the Chancellor, and Christina his wife, and the heirs of the said Sir Thomas. Westm., 4 July. *Pat.* 29 Hen. VIII., *p.* 5, *m.* 41. *Vacated.*

15. Ric. Gresham, citizen and mercer, London. Licence to alienate the manor of Estorpe and hundred of Lexden, Essex, to Sir Thos. Audeley and Christina his wife, and the heirs of the said Thomas. Westm., 4 July. *Pat.* 29 Hen. VIII., *p.* 5, *m.* 42.

16. Philip Wylde, a yeoman usher of the Chamber. To be bailiff and provost of the

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manor and lordship of Brampton and keeper of the woods of Brampton, Hunts, in the King's hands by the attainder of John ld. Huse; with fees of 4*l.* a year. Hampton Court, 9 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 July.—P.S. *Pat. p* 2. *m.* 26.

17. Roger Stoko *alias* Roger a Stoko, Stocko *or* Stokowe of Haydon, Northumb., *alias* of Brokenhough in the barony of Langley and parish of Heydon, Northumb., yeoman. Pardon for all treasons and violations of the treaties with the king of Scots in the Marches against Scotland committed before the 14 May 29 Hen. VIII., so far as they concern his reception and entertainment at his house at Heydon in the barony of Langley, of one Archibald Armestrong, John Nykson, and other Scots, and his being accessory to the felonious carrying off of three horses belonging to one Thos. Grinton. Hampton Court, 3 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 12.

18. John Pakyngton and Ric. Heigham. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of chirographer of the Common Pleas; on surrender of pat. 27 July, 27 Hen. VIII., granting the same to the said John and Sir Ric. Ryche. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 2.

19. Ric. Lyndesell *or* Lyndecell. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in co. Essex. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 7.

20. John Nicholas. Reversion (in consideration of his services to the Chancellor, Sir Thos. Audeley) of the office of one of the soldiers of Calais, with 8*d.* a day, on the first vacancy. *Del.* Westm., 1 July. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 12.

21. Edw. Foster, of London, *alias* John Gryffyn, of Est Smythfeld, mariner. Pardon for having 17 March 28 Hen. VIII., along with Walter Hayes and Percival Thrower of Great Yarmouth, Norf., Edm. Shackylles of Est Smythefeld, mariners, and John Morreys, of London, costermonger (they being piratically together in a wherry at Tylbery Reche, opposite the place called Holle Havyn) attacked and boarded the ship of Wm. Thornebrughe, Ric. Rule, Wm. Ive, and John Rule, called the *Anthony*, of Barlyngs, Essex, and taken certain property (described) of the aforenamed and of John Polsted and John Fuller, mariners. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

22. Edm. Gryffyn and John Bathe. Lease of all tithes of corn, hay, and furze in the parishes of Cowloke, Rathebegan, Kylmessan, and Dowthe, and in the vills of Mycheryverston, Lyttilryverston, Skatternaghe, and Athcarn, in Ireland, for 41 years, at the annual rent of 30*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Irish money. *Del.* Westm., 5 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. (*Endd.*: Hampton Court, 24 June). *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 14.

23. The Carthusian priory of St. Anne, near Coventre. Exemption from suppression; John Bocheard to be prior. *Del.* Westm., 6 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 17.

24. Bishop's Lynn. Grant to the mayor, burgesses, and inhabitants, that the said town be henceforth called Lynne Regis or King's Lynn; citing pat. 27 June 16 Hen. VIII., incorporating the borough of Lenn Episcopi, and statute 27 Hen. VIII., by which the manors of Lenn Episcopi *alias* Busshopps Lynne and Gaywod or Caywod became the property of the Crown. Also grant to the said mayor, &c. of two courts weekly in the Guildhall of the borough, and of another court called "le Tolboth Court" in the said borough within the limits of Seynt Edmondenesse and Staple Weyre. Also to have the issues, &c. arising in the said courts; and other privileges. The mayor, aldermen, and recorder to be justices of the peace in the said borough. The above liberties to be held by an annual rent of 20 marks. Also grant of two yearly fairs and two markets every week, and liberty to have a prison. *Del.* Westm., 7 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *ms.* 3, 4.

25. Sir Will. Weston, the prior, and the knights brethren of the hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England. Grant, in consideration of their zeal in having constituted the King their protector for the defence of the Christian religion against the Grand Turk and other infidels, of the following liberties, viz.:—To receive persons into their order subjects of the King; the *professi* to be free to go to foreign parts to other convents of their order without suing the King's licence; except a writ of passage from the Chancellor to the keepers of the ports, provided they do nothing to the prejudice of the Crown.

The King shall, on the voidance of any priories or other offices and possessions of the said order in England, give them to such persons as Sir John Omedas, the grand master, and the convent, or their lieutenant or successors, shall appoint. The prior and brethren may from time to time appoint collectors, procurators, or clerks of their fraternity to receive necessary benevolences, &c. The Chancellor on sight of this patent to make out letters patent of protection of alms at the desire of the said prior and brethren, but with a clause against publishing letters of indulgence from the bishop of Rome or other foreign potentates.

Also various other liberties chiefly with reference to promotions and for the purpose of maintaining order. Hampton Court, 4 July . . . . . * *Del.* Westm. . . . . * —P.S. *Pat.* (7 July) 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 7.

26. For the Augustinian monastery or abbey of St. Mary, Burneham, Bucks, Linc. dioc. Exemption from suppression. Alice

* Dates illegible.

411. Grants in July 1537—*cont.*

July.

Grants.

Baldewyn to be abbess. *Del.* Westm., 9 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

27. The new monastery of Henry VIII. of Stixwold (a house of nuns of the Premonstratensian order of St. Benedict). Charter for its foundation on the site of the suppressed monastery of Stixwold, for the good estate of the King and the queen consort Jane, &c., with mortmain grant to Mary Missenden, *professa* of the said order, whom the King appoints to be prioress, and the convent; of the ground, site, church, &c. of the old monastery, and all manors, lands, &c. of the same, viz.: — The manors of Stixwold, Horsyngton, Hunnyngton, Fereby, Horstowe, Hundelby bailiwick and Hundelby graunge and Besewynthorp; the rectories or churches of Waynflete, Hunnyngton, Hundelby, and Levyngton, and all lands, &c. in Stixwold, Horsyngton, Hunnyngton, Fereby, Horstowe, Hundelby, Besewynthorpe, Waynflete, and Levyngton, Linc., which belonged to the said old monastery of Stixwold, in the same manner as Helen Key, late prioress, held them before the suppression. Annual value, 152*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*; rent, 15*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.*, which is the true tenth. *Witnesses:* — T. archbp. of Canterbury, C. bp. of Durham, E. bp. of Hereford, Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Treasurer of England, Charles duke of Suffolk, John earl of Oxford, Chamberlain of England, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Steward of the Household, Sir Thomas lord Cromwell, keeper of the Privy Seal, Sir Will. Fitzwilliam, great admiral of England and Treasurer of the Household, and Sir Will. Poulet, Comptroller of the Household. *Del.* Westm., 9 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

28. Sir John Eland of Kyngeston-upon-Hull. Annuity of 20*l.* out of the fee farm of the said town. Oking, 9 July, 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 7.

29. Thos. Hennage. Annuity of 10*l.* issuing from the manors of Oxcombe and Baghenderbye, and from certain lands and tenements in Oxcombe, Somersbye, Langton, and Winsebye, Linc., late of John Gedney, deceased, during the minority of Andrew Gedney, s. and h. of the said John, with the wardship and marriage of the said heir. *Del.* Westm., 10 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 29.

30. Bishopric of Carlisle. Congé d'élire (to the prior and convent of Carlisle) upon the death of the last bishop. Oking, 9 July, 29 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

31. John Kyttowe of Treburtell in the parish of Tresmure, Cornw. Pardon for having, 9 April, 26 Hen. VIII., broken and entered the close of John Congan at Treglomman, Cornw., and stolen 40 sheep. *Del.* Westm., 10 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

32. Will. Warham, parson of Heyes, now in parts beyond sea by the King's licence. Licence to remain in foreign countries for the attainment of learning, and after his return to England to be non-resident. *Del.* Terlyng, 18 July 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 12. (*In English.*)

33. Ralph Sadeler, a gentleman of the Privy Chamber, and John Godsalve, a clerk of the Signet. Grant in survivorship of the office of notary or prothonotary of Chancery, with the usual fees, and 50 marks a year, on surrender of pat. 26* May 26 Hen. VIII. granting the same to the said Ralph in reversion on the death of master Will. Throgmerton, now deceased. Hampton Court, 8 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Terlyng 20 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 15.

34. Sir Thos. Palmer and Hen. Palmer. Next presentation to the parish church of St. Quentin in Spelack, Marches of Calais. Greenwich 28 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Terling 20 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

35. Thos. Preston. To be clerk of the peace and of the Crown in cos. Notts and Derby. *Del.* Westm. 20 July 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 13.

36. Peter de Millan. Annuity of 30*l.* for life. Esthamstede, 17 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Terling 20 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

37. Proclamation of the general pardon to the men of the North. *See* No. 329 (2). *Del.* 24 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Very illegible in parts.*

38. Ralph Crofte. Reversion of the offices of keeper of Cottescouth or Cottescough park in the lordship of Middelham, Yorks., and forester of a moiety of the forest of Coverdale, Yorks., now held by Sir Geo. Lauson by pat. 22 April 17 Hen. VIII. Esthampstede, 21 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 25 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 22.

39. Will. Latymer, clk. Licence to hold incompatible benefices of any annual value and be non-resident. *Del.* Colne, 27 July 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 15.

40. Edmund Mode (*Endd.:* Moody) "unus pedistrat' nostrorum." To be water bailiff of Dovor in reversion after Thos. Vaugham. Colne, 27 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Modern copy in R.O.*

* Dated "2" May in pat. roll. of 26th year.

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412. CROMWELL to DR. SANDEWICHE.

R. O. Has appointed him to preach at Paul's Cross on the 12th Sunday after Trinity, 19 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Of Canterbury Coll., Oxford.

413. THE PRIOR OF DUNSTABLE to CROMWELL.

R. O. The gentleman usher is at Dunstable and intends to make lodging for the King at the White Horse in Dunstable town, and not in my poor house, which I have made ready to receive him. I beg you will move his Highness to make his lodging with me, or else that you will take up yours here.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

1 Aug. **414.** CROMWELL to [THE COMMISSIONERS IN IRELAND].

Wrote before to the Vice-Treasurer for the preferment of old Coley to the farm of Holmpatryk. Desires them to make out the lease with speed. Sonnyng Hill, 1 Aug.

Copy. Half page. (*See No.* 389 II.).

1 Aug. **415.** FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Intended to have laid in a piece of wine for Cromwell at Mrs. Polstyddes, to have drunk it at the King's coming hither. But as a daughter of hers who came from London and fell sick in her house before the King left Westminster, died a week ago, would not advise Cromwell to lodge there. However no infection has ensued. As the Freres is but a little house, and will be sore pestered at the King's being there, recommends him to lodge at the parsonage of St. Nicholas, which is near the Court. The late bp. of Winchester used to lodge there. Guildeford Manor, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The Lord Admiral.

1 Aug. **416.** SIR JOHN DUDLEY and SIR G. CAREW to CROMWELL.

R. O. As yet we have seen nothing of which to inform the King, but we trust ere long to have knowledge of them that be daily spoilers of his Highness' subjects. We are now at Plymouth taking in victuals to go over to the other coast, where we shall not fail, by report, to find them we seek. In all the Narrow Seas, especially upon this coast, there is not one man-of-war of any nation. Plymouth, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Aug. **417.** SIR HEN. SACHEVERELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. In answer to Cromwell's letter stating that he has heard that Sacheverell intends to expell his cousin Leche's farmers and tenants by virtue of a *liberate* passed against him at the suit of the executors of Sir Rauf Dodmer, is informed that he may lawfully put them forth, but was never minded so to do. His own tenants of Callowe had in farm their own tithe corn and hay for 20 or 30 years before Leche was farmer of Wyrkesworth parsonage, and he put them out without warning and let the farm to James Deane his servant. Might have put out Deane on entering into the aforesaid parsonage, but only asked him to allow the tenants of Callowe to have half their own tithe corn and hay, which he refused. On this refusal, told him he would sue for his remedy, unless the lord Privy Seal commanded him the contrary. Asks to know his pleasure by the bearer. Morley, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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1 Aug. **418.** THOMAS TICHETT, Post, to SIR BRIAN TUKE.

R. O. Wrote last night with a small packet containing only a letter for my lord Privy Seal from Sir Rob. Wingfield, when he enclosed a small bill for Tuke of the news which had just arrived of the Burgundians' departing from before Tirwyn. It was not, however, to withstand an attempted invasion of Hainault by the Dauphin, but owing to a truce taken for 10 months. Sir Chr. Morris landed here the same morning and rode towards the camp, and last night Travers took passage hence with a letter from Sir Rob. Wingfield for my lord Privy Seal, and one from Mr. Hutton, who came hither the night before from St. Omer's, to meet his wife on her landing, and returns this morning. Mr. Henry Knyvett landed this morning, and is gone in post into France. Du Bies is said to be abroad to do some feat in Flanders, not wishing to hear of the truce. Calais, 1 Aug. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

1 Aug. **419.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. This day the truce was proclaimed through the camp. Divers of the army have made ready to depart. Others remain as men amazed;—among them M. du Rewisse is greatly grieved, having sworn never to wear armour till he know the Emperor's pleasure. No man of the camp has yet been suffered to enter the town, and they within kept on the walls in harness. Has not yet obtained a copy of the conclusions. St. Omer's, 1 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Aug. **420.** JOHN [HILSEY], BP. OF ROCHESTER, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sir Matthew Fysher, priest of Bromleghe, was brought before him on Wednesday. He confessed that he was a Northern man and came out of his country about Whitsuntide, and that on Midlent Sunday last the captains of his country received certain letters from Aske, on which day about 400 men mustered, of which he was one. Keeps him in ward till he knows Cromwell's pleasure. Hears there are some other priests in his diocese who fled thither after Aske was taken. Bromleghe, 2 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Aug. **421.** JENNEY to CROMWELL.

The letter printed in State Papers I. 560 as of this date is really of the year 1538. *See* St. P. v. 139.

2 Aug. **422.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. v. 96. Last night Sir Thos. Hilton, sheriff of Durham, brought Dr. Marshall's priest whom James Crane had accused. Norfolk examined him in presence of Thirlby, Curren, and Wodall, and he made the enclosed confession, signed with his own hand. Had Crane and him together face to face, and at first he stuck firm that Crane had spoken many lewd words to him. As they contradicted each other, ordered Crane to avoid the chamber and promised the priest to sue for his pardon on condition of his telling the truth about two things, what he said himself and others thereabouts, and what words Dr. Marshall has spoken before or since. He not only acquits Dr. Marshall, but says that he preaches frequently against the bp. of Rome. Has sent Sir Thomas Hilton homewards that he may attach the fellow with the foul "sanslyme" face, whom Crane accuses to have spoken very seditiously. He does not know his name or where he dwells. Is informed by Sir Thomas of his tenants in Austin More having been attacked by those of Bewcastle on Saturday last, and 32 of them taken prisoners, of whom four are kept as pledges. Sir William and Jack Musgrave are at London. Those people cannot be governed by one dwelling at London, or a deputy that is as ill as

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the worst. They are under Sir Thos. Wharton's wardenry, whom the Musgraves love not. Yesterday a servant of Sir Wm. Evers brought a letter from him, sent herewith, which shows my former news of Scotland to be true. His credence is that on Saturday last the Scotch king came to Dunbar, and with him the abbot of Arbroath, whom he was going to despatch towards the King. All his train were ready to come to Berwick on Tuesday or yesterday. The news was sent by the prioress of Coldstream, whose name must be kept secret. Thos. Hussey tells me I shall be sent for to be with the King at the said ambassador's coming. I think he will come here by me, and if so I will make him the best cheer I can. If I am to come to the King at Ampthill I will make diligence after the ambassador's departure. Angus and his brother have now no hope of obtaining their inheritance unless war be moved; you will, therefore, weigh George Douglas' words as a man desperate. Wishes the pardon sent with all diligence. Sheriff Hutton, 2 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 2. Deposition of Sir Robt. Hodge, parish priest of Whitbarn, in the bpric. of Durham, examined at Sheriffhutton 2 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., stating that in the week before Pentecost last there landed at Whitbarne one or two boats of Scots and Frenchmen, among whom was one Englishman called James Crane, with whom deponent had sundry conversations. Being asked what news in England deponent answered, "Ill news, for they kill and hang up men in this country." He then asked where the duke of Norfolk lay, and deponent answered at Sheriffhutton or at York, and that he dealt so cruelly in these parts that he wished him hanged on the one side of a tree and lord Cromwell on the other; adding that if the king of Scots had invaded England five months before, he and many others would have gone with him, and conducted him to London. As they were talking a little from the seaside, deponent said, "Lo! here is as good and as ready landing for men as in any place in England." Sundry persons dwelling at or near Hartley in Nthld. were on board in divers of the ships at the same time and carried them victuals. *Signed.*

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3 Aug. **423.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Delivered his letter of the 28th to my lord Privy Seal with the news, which is too old to be regarded. The letter has been left at Billingsgate. Is daily expecting my lord Privy Seal's determination concerning Lisle's long suit, and will return if he does not get it. Begs he will not take so earnestly the sharp and taunting letter which Cromwell wrote to him, as he is no wise culpable and has not merited it. Answer him according to the truth and think no more about it. This will be most for your honour. If my lord Chamberlain and other lords there pay the subsidy Lisle must do the same. Richard Cromwell is very glad to hear that his horse is so ready, "but to sue for your check it shall not be best, he saith, till such time as it shall be laid to your charge." No man, he thinks, will dare attempt it. The sudden truce has occasioned great astonishment. St. Katharine's, 3 Aug.

My lord Privy Seal's son is married to my lady Owtrede, the Queen's sister.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

3 Aug. **424.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. When the King was at Sonninghill I delivered your tokens to Lady Sussex and Mrs. Lystre. I think lady Sussex is with child. They long to hear of your ladyship being brought to bed. My lady Sussex thinks your daughters should be here before the Queen takes her chamber, because her

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424. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.—*cont.*

Grace would see them before then. As to the priest, neither Mr. Horen nor the abp. of Canterbury can do him any good, for the examination is to be before my lord Privy Seal; but I fear not but he will do well—much better than the other. They may thank one of their own brethren for their penance. Mr. Bassett's chamber shall be kept for him. Your ladyship may entreat Chr. Campion at his coming over. As to your weir, Mr. Popley has been sick these 14 days, but I hope the worst is past. I have done nothing and said nothing that can offend Mr. Treasurer; but I am glad you have found the 50*l.* There is no woman of Lady Rutland's dead. It was a gentleman of hers that died between her house and the Court; so I think it will be no danger to take her woman. The sooner you make ready your daughters the better, for it is thought Mrs. Parre will shortly marry. I sent by Stephen your cushion with sampler and silk. I am promised small dishes. My lord Privy Seal's son is married to lady Owterede, the Queen's sister. St. Katharine's, 3 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

3 Aug. R. O. **425.** NICHOLAS WILSON, Priest, to WRIOTHESLEY.

The benefits W. has conferred upon him embolden him to trouble him further. Hearing that my good Lord had come to Mortlake last night, would have waited on him but for his tarrying in London, though he trusts he has been in no place where he could have taken anything "that might be peril to other." Desires to know his mind by bearer, whom the writer wishes released from the charge not to go past 10 miles from London, so that he may see my Lord. Supposes Dr. Day, now master of St. John's College, Cambridge, has shown my lord what was done there. They first chose Wilson, to his no small grief, knowing what my Lord had written to them both of the King's mind and his own. Protests he no more expected it than to be made bp. of Rome; but, thank God, it was soon amended according to the King's pleasure. Was in the country making merry when Dr. Day returned, and could not learn how my Lord was pleased. Is glad of his appointment. Doubts not W. will remember the King's letter for the discharge of the writer's first fruits.

Means within three weeks to go to Wimburn "for some discharge of my duty." Will write to my Lord beforehand if he must not see him. London, 3 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* at Mortlake. *Endd.*

3 Aug. R. O. **426.** EDMUND PEKHAM to LORD LISLE.

In favour of Nich. Sharpe, the bearer, who has obtained the King's bill signed for a room of 8*d.* a day in the retinue on the first voidance. Windsor, 3 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

3 Aug. R. O. **427.** ROBERT PAKENAM to SIR THOMAS DINGLEY.

Cousin Dyngley, Mr. Rogers of your Order has been a great suitor to the lord Privy Seal and other noblemen, but has had small comfort. He has boasted he will have his pennyworth of you, "but I take it spoken but of a young man." Mr. Kneven is gone, 2 Aug., to France, and will shortly return. The siege of Turwyn is raised by composition and a 10 months' truce. The King goes from Windsor to Ampthill and Grafton Wednesday, 8 Aug., and will be at Windsor with the Queen again, 2 Oct. Mrs. Skewes is dead. Commend me to Mr. Welche and my lady. Windsor, 3 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Sir Thomas Dingley, knight, at Sir John Walchis place in Sadbery. *Endd.*

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3 Aug. **428.** Sir Brian Tuke to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I thank you for a piece of French wine, which I keep in store for special company. My fellow Baker, who is of the retinue there by your promotion, does not agree very well with the Calais air and is often in danger. By sending him now and then to England on your messages, if thereby he may save his check, you would do a kindness both to him and his poor wife. I beg you to tell me what hope you have about your debt to the King. Commend me to my Lady. From my poor house, 3 Aug. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

3 Aug. **429.** Dr. John London to Thomas Bedell.

R. O. Perceives by my lord's (Cromwell's) letters that he is accused of being a great papist and hinderer of good learning. No man has more openly spoken against papistical abuses, and to set forward the youth of his college in learning made Mr. Knyzt (whom Mr. Wrosley knows) dean of art this year and caused him to be elected one of the proctors.* The youth, however, are given to such liberty in study they would let pass all good order in learning. Because Duns and such barbarous dreamers are set apart they object to meddle with Archyrople, Faber, and Melancthon's logic, or with Aristotle in Greek. Wishes to enforce the order of study prescribed to him by my Lord when visiting the New College beside Winchester. Describes what he has done for the reformation of studies. Explains how he is prevented from giving the farm to Mrs. Coke by a former grant made to Legat at the request of the King and my lord Privy Seal, lord Norwich and the present Master of the Rolls. Would be glad still to gratify my Lord if he could be discharged; but Legat has obtained my lord Chancellor's letters, enclosed, which were delivered to the writer in the beginning of his sickness. On return of his servant, will call home his company which be abroad for the sickness, and use his best policy to win their good wills. If he can get their consent, will send the indenture or bring it next term as Mrs. Coke must seal her part before she receive ours. Is sure to have disfavour of the other side —my lord Chancellor and the Master of the Rolls. Would have come himself but the election at Winchester is instant and, after, that of the college. Is still so weak that he can hardly ride 10 miles and these late news have nearly killed him. Oxon, 3 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Mr. Thomas Bedell one of the King's most hon. Council. *Endd. inaccurately:* B. of London.

3 Aug. **430.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Has just received a letter from the captain of Berwick saying that the abbot of Arbroath arrived there on Tuesday last. Thinks he will not come this way; but if he does he will be here on Sunday next. Desires to know by bearer if he is to go to the King as he last wrote; meanwhile will be ready to do so. The abbot should be warned of the infection in London so that he may not repair thither. He has 24 persons with him, some of them Frenchmen, and 6 horses "laden with carriage." Has despatched the bearer his servant only to show Cromwell of the abbot's coming. Sheriffhutton, 3 Aug.

Hears the abbot has no great "affection" to speak with him (Norfolk) before going to the King. Has just received the King's "gests" (enclosed) from Thomas Hatteclif, and perceives that if he is to repair to the King at the coming of the said ambassador he will find His Highness at Ampthill or thereabouts. *Signed.*

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* Thomas Knight, proctor of the university of Oxford in 1537, coll. 11 April. *See* Wood's Fasti, i. 104.

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2. THOMAS HATTECLYFF to NORFOLK.

R. O. "The King's jests made the 22nd day of July."

Thursday St. Anne's Day 26 July from Esthamstede to Sonnynghall, and there the King and the Queen and the Household to Windsor, 7 days, 4 miles. Thursday 2 Aug. from thence to Windsor and there 5 days, 5 miles. Wednesday 8 Aug. thence, the King apart, to Mysildyn, and there that night 1 day, 12 miles. Thursday 9 Aug. thence to Dunstable and there Friday 2 days, 13 miles. Saturday the 11th to Ampthill, 8 miles, and there 6 days. Friday the 17th to Grafton, 15 miles, and there 10 days. Monday 27th to Ampthill, 15 miles, and there 5 days. Saturday 1 Sept. to Dunstable and there all Sunday, 8 miles. Monday 3 Sept. to Misildyn and there that night, 13 miles.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

3 Aug. **431.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. James Crane fearing (as he says) by his absence from France to lose his wages, desires licence to depart, and, as he cannot name any of those he has accused, I have licensed him to return to you. I have sent Sir Thomas Hilton to apprehend them, and, unless they are in Shotlond a fishing, I trust soon to have them. Who they were can only be learnt by knowing what boats were on board the vice-admiral's ship, and of "one other with a black turry head and a sanslyme face." Shrif hoton, 3 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Aug. **432.** RICHARD POLLARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received his letter ordering him to have the leads in his survey melted into sows and marked with the King's mark. Began at Gervaux, but was soon weary thereof, as the finer was unskilful. The cloister leads took five days, and that is little to the whole. Is sure they are worth 1,000*l.* and little worse at Byrlyngton. At Whalle there is small leads beside the church. Sends information about Sir Robt. Constable's fees and offices. Understands by Sir George Darcy, the bearer, that Comwell is good lord to him. According to his request encloses the value of the late lord Darcy's lands. Has left all the lead, melted and unmelted, in safe keeping. Makes an end in Yorkshire today, and goes towards Berlynges in Lincolnshire. Doncaster, 3 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Aug. **433.** MELANCTHON to JOHN ÆPINUS.

Corpus Reform. III. 395. The Church is an exile in this world, and we, as members of it, ought to assist exiles. Applauds therefore his liberality to Duncanus Hybernicus. The messenger brought "sex aureos moneta Megapolensi," which Melancthon handed over to Duncanus. Indicates suspicion that the messenger did not account truly. Duncanus has no need at present of the other two Joachimica which Æpinus writes about. Marriage of Matthew Delius. Rejoices that Antonius Anglicus is released from danger, and begs Æpinus, when he writes, to salute him from Melanchthon and command him to remember his old friends. 3 Aug.

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4 Aug. **434.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 561. Cranmer's Letters 344. You will receive by the bearer a bible in English both of a new translation and of a new print, dedicated to the King. Likes it better than any other translation, and wishes Cromwell to obtain a licence that it may be read freely till the bps. can set forth a better, which he thinks will not be till after Doomsday. God will one day requite Cromwell's pains in setting forth His word. Forde, 4 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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4 Aug. **435.** CRANMER to SIR RIC. RICHE.

R. O. Sorry that he cannot comply with his request, and write to his clerk, Thos. Argall, for the revocation of the letters *ad colligendum* granted to White and Foxley. They must be revoked by his officer, the Dean of the Arches, master of his prerogative, who, he thinks, is absent from London. If he were there he would not revoke them without a citation of the contrary side, which cannot be, as the term has expired. Sir Richard's friends can take no harm by these letters, as the parties are bound to deliver the goods by sufficient inventory at a day appointed by the Court. Concerning the administration, whereby his friends may be saved harmless, and for the true deliverance of the said goods, they shall have his lawful favour. Forde, 4 Aug. *Signed.*

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[4 Aug.] **436.** HERESY.

R. O. First, William Sennes, Thos. Frauncys, and John Padley were taken at Rotheram, 4 August, through a complaint made to the earl of Shrewsbury by which "we were defamed of heresy." Sennes was brought before my lord of Shrewsbury, who said, "Come near, thou heretic, and kneel near, ha, thou heretic, thou has books here!" And Sennes said, "Yea, my Lord, the New Testament I have." My Lord said, "The New Testament nought thou has," and repeated very often that it was nought, adding "Thou art an heretic, and but for shame I should thrust my dagger into thee." After this Sennes durst say no more and was put in the dungeon 7 days. Frauncys was brought up and put in prison for the same time, and, by reason of friends, released. Padley also was brought before my Lord, who said, "Thou art an heretic and a loulere." Padley said, "Nay, my Lord, it is not so." Then my Lord inquired what he had learned and he said, Humanity. "That is well" said my Lord, "what has thou spoken?" "Nothing" said Padley "but that that shall become a Christian to speak," and said he had only spoken upon the commandments of God, which were to "love God above all things, and my neighbour as myself." Then my Lord accused him of speaking against the sacrament and referred to the bailey of Rotheram, who said he had not heard him speak so. Padley was sent to prison for the same time as Sennes, and from the prison my Lord sent them to the duke of Norfolk, who delivered them to the Bishop's officer and they are now in the Bishop's prison.

The cause of Sennes' trouble is this:—He has always spoken against the rebels, and when they rose in Lincolnshire, a priest, Sir Thos. Holdyne *alias* Thomas Alexandere, said "God was in Lincolnshire for those was good lads, for they would put down these heretics Cromwell, Cranmer, and Latimer," and also "We dare not stir, but let them rob us of our money." Sennes said they were rebellious that withstood the King. Then another priest, Mr. Drapper, said he trusted in the earl of Shrewsbury, as a favourer of the commons, but Sennes said the Earl would not favour the commons, for he had been always true to the King: Drapper said that in that case, the Earl was "nought." "Why," said Sennes "is all nought that doth hold with our King? Yonder is Mr. Markame, he hath put out the abbot of Roughforthe and his convent according to the King's commandment." Drapper said "He is a heretic," and further said he might resist if the King tried to take away his chalice, which was for the service of God. On this Sennes called him a "Sir John Lack-learning," and Drapper replied "Whoreson knave." "I" showed Mr. Provost of it and he bade me show it to Mr. Bailey. The bailey asked the provost if he could not rule his own house, and the provost called Sennes and threatened, if he complained again, to expel him the house.

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R. O. 2. Indictment of Will. Senes of Rotherham, in the West Riding, master of the "song scole" of the college of Jesus of Rotherham, for showing to Thos. Holden, chantry priest of St. Katharine's in the church of All Saints, Rotheram, on Sunday after Corpus Christi, viz., 8 (should be 3rd) June 29 Hen. VIII. some printed ballads against the prayers of the church used in the hallowing of water, the blessing of bread and of bells, and touching purgatory, which Holden said were not authorised by Parliament; in reply to which he observed "that such books as were sent down to the curates was made by heretics, and none of them true," and moreover that the soul after death went straight either to Heaven or Hell, and no prayer could avail.

Further that Will. Yngram, parish clerk of Rotheram was present in the church on Friday, 4 May, hearing mass when Thos. Pylley, priest, said mass for the soul of Henry Carnbull, and finished by sprinkling water upon his tomb as the custom is. On which the said Will. Sennes ridiculed the act, and when Yngram said he believed as his father had done, replied "Thy father was a liar and is in Hell, and so is my father in Hell also; my father never knew Scripture and now it is come forth." Moreover on Sunday before St. John Baptist's day, viz., 10 [17 ?] June, Yngram had a conversation with him in the church, in which Senes asked him "When didst thou see God?" Yngram replied, every day at mass in the priest's hands. To which Senes rejoined, "Thou sawest but bread." He also, 24 June, told Ric. Wade, who along with Katharine Bretton was reading a Life of Christ in the said church of Rotheram that the Blessed Mary was not the mother of God, and that prayer to her could do no good, and that the sacrament upon the altar was not the body of Christ; for "God is here upon my hand, in my body, in this stulpe and everywhere." He also used similar language to one Cutler of Rotheram, on St. Thomas the Martyr's day, 6 July.

Lat., pp. 5. *At the head is written in another hand:* "A Cirsiorare corpus cum causa, out of the King Bench."

4 Aug. **437.** GEO. ALYSBURY to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have sent herein written the names of all such infusions as I have made at this time of roses after the description of Mesni, oil of roses, vinegar of roses, rose water, damask water, made chiefly with roses, dried roses. Of all these I was commanded by Dr. Buttes and the surgeons to have store for the King. Would have made other if commanded, as conserve of roses, syrup of roses, *mel rosarum*, julop of roses, &c. Have me in remembrance to the King about the manor of Oschirche in Warwickshire. The King has sent for me to Hampton Court, or I would have come to you. Southwark, 4 Aug.

*Hol.,** *p.* 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal.

438. GEO. ALYSBURY to CROMWELL.

R. O. I beg your Lordship to have your old servant in remembrance to the King, for some living to do his Grace service. I have been with his Grace this year and a quarter, and had never penny allowed me for meat, drink, horse, or boat hire for bringing such things as his Grace commanded, wheresomever he did lie. This has been a great charge to me in my sickness.

* Probably in the hand of his clerk, as the writing is quite different from that of the next letters, which is more careless. The name is spelled "Aleysburye" in this letter, but "Alysbury" in the next.

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P.S.—I would have waited on your Lordship, but have not been out of my chamber this 12 weeks, and but for your water, which master Broke stilled for the King, I should have died. I have taken a surfeit with bread not baken, which lay in my stomach two days like a piece of lead, but it burst as soon as I drunk the water.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

[4 Aug.] **439.** FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Since yesterday at noon has heard that the Imperials and French have taken a truce for 10 months. Trusts the King knows the occasion of it, "or hels it wold trobull my brayns to think of it." Asks what is best now to do with Sir John Dodlay and his company at sea. Wishes to stay here till the King's coming from Hamtell, and asks whether the King would prefer to have him with him. Waverlaye, Saturday.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

4 Aug. **440.** WILLIAM LORD DACRE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has written to the King concerning certain tithes he has by lease. Begs Cromwell's favour in the case, because the King will have him remain here, where the country is very barren of corn for his house. Naward, 4 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Aug. **441.** SIR THOMAS TEMPEST to CROMWELL.

R. O. Finds by Cromwell's letter of the 17th July, in answer to his of the 10th, that he considers Sir Thomas would not have shown his mind about Norfolk's abode in these parts without his privity; otherwise he must have offended the Duke in preferring him to the thing to which he so strongly objected. It is true that after Sir Rob. Constable's execution at Hull, Norfolk made him and others privy to that part of Cromwell's letter and his own answer to it; on which they advised him to consent to the most part of Tempest's letter. He replied that he could never willingly abide in these arts except in time of necessity. Stated, nevertheless, his own opinion that the Duke's authority would still be useful here, though he were absent this winter. Norfolk was not privy to what he wrote, which was against his mind; and Tempest finds him so resolved that he forbears to press him further. Remains of opinion that some other nobleman should be sent on his recall, else Tynedale, Redesdale, and the unruly borderers with Lidersdale will give trouble this winter. At this day they do not much esteem their keepers; as shown by the death of Roger Fenwick. 4 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Aug. **442.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Wrote of the ten months' truce to my lord Privy Seal. Cannot yet be sure of the conditions, but it is supposed the French made the first offer and are to pay 200,000 cr. to the Emperor's charges. Neither party is to invade on pain of being taken prisoners notwithstanding the truce. Cannot tell how it will be between the princes but the Regent is at war with most of her nobles. The card. of Liege is gone to visit his diocese and will probably come no more to court. The Almains were in such a rage at the truce that they would have sacked St. Omer's. The Regent departed suddenly to Bruges, but Hutton will stay a while till the fury of the men of war who rob everywhere be over past. Hopes at Bruges to get a true copy

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of the truce. Hears divers lords have refused to sign it, as the card. of Lewke, duke of Ascot, the Great Master, the lord of Breid Rood, and the lord of Leny: and the whole commonalty exclaim upon the Queen, Molembeis and Lekerke. St. Omer's, 4 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

4 Aug. **443.** HUGH TYPTON to WILLIAM SPRAT.

R. O. "Jesu in the Rendry," 4 August 1537.

"Right worshipful master and mistress," on 27 July departed hence the *Trinity* and the *Marybryd*; in the former I send your cable, in the latter ij guns. You shall receive in this ship, the *Saviour* of the Rendry, master, Domingo de Sobjeta, a gun the companion of that in the *Marybryd.* Would send two more but cannot have them under 30 "ds." the piece, which is dear.

I depart within four days for Bylbow with cloth. The lading of this ship is strangers goods. Treat Domingo and his brother well and meddle little with the others, "for they have not ordered our nation well this year." The other ship is a prize laden with salt.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* merchant, in Bristow.

444. WILLIAM SPERATT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Copy of No. 443, headed "Jesus in the Rendry," 4 August 1537.

This is the true copy of a letter my servant sent me, who has been in Spain this seven or eight years. Do not let it be known that this news came from my servant, else he shall lose his life and I my goods. I have delivered the letter itself to Mr. Mayor and the recorder.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Aug. **445.** THE GARTER.

Anstis' Order of the Garter, II. 407. Chapter of the Order of the Garter held in the King's closet at Windsor, Sunday 5 Aug. 1537; present, with the King, the marquis of Exeter, earls of Sussex, Rutland, and Cumberland and Sir Nic. Carew. It was decided to choose a knight instead of lord Darcy, convicted of high treason, but that the other stall then vacant should be kept for the prince they hoped for in due season. Statement of the names voted for, the "princes" being the earls of Derby, Huntingdon and Worcester, and the marquis of Dorset, the "barons," unanimously, lords Beaucham, Cromwell, and Delaware, and the "knights" Sir Wm. Paulet, Sir Thos. Cheyny, Sir John Russell, Sir John Wallop, and Sir Ant. Browne in various combinations of three. The sovereign, running this list hastily over, said he thought fit to choose Sir Thomas Cromwell, his principal secretary and lord Privy Seal; to which all with joyful looks and words agreed. He being immediately summoned fell down before the Sovereign, giving with all the eloquence he was master of (and certainly he was master of the best) infinite thanks for the honour conferred upon him, &c. Being kindly ordered by the Sovereign to stand up, he had the Garter and collar of George put upon him.

5 Aug. **446.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. The abbot of Westminster has the executor of Baylye at issue. He has refused to give me any answer, and if the verdict is in his favour the 30*l.* must be paid. He has, however, consented to take one tun of wine now and one at Easter, as you desire. An answer must be sent within 12 days, or the inquest will give judgment. St. Katharine's, 5 Aug.

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5 Aug. **447.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 345. No suit has yet been made to him for the induction of a certain person in St. Quintines in Spelake in the Marches of Calais, but he will stay it if it is made. Canterbury, 5 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Aug. **448.** THOMAS BEDYLL to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Encloses letters just received from Dr. London, warden of New College, Oxford, showing how he taketh to his cure the speeding of Mrs. Cook's cause. His servant who brought them is ridden into Essex to speak both with Legat and her. His master is much troubled in mind upon my lord Privy Seal's letters, and his servant says unless he has some comfort he will not long continue. Begs him to move my Lord to write to assure him he bears him no grudge till he has heard him. Thinks he has done more good in the King's visitation than all the others. Sends also copy of a letter of my Lord Chancellor to Dr. London in Legat's favour. Begs to have both letters again. Otford, in Kent, 5 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

5 Aug. **449.** SIR WILLIAM FITZWILLIAM to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Perceives by my lord Privy Seal that he would fain have Thos. Apovhell "sarved of is rovme." Waverley, 5 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* The King's [Deputy] at Calais. *Endd.:* My lord Admiral.

5 Aug. **450.** MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS.

R. O. Examinations before the mayor and jurats of Rye, 5 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII., viz.:—

1. Of Adam Lewes, a teacher of grammar, who says he never took orders, and was married at Totnes two years ago; came thence at Shrovetide following to Malling, Kent, where he taught grammar till the beginning of July, 29 Hen. VIII., and then came to Rye, 3 Aug. The woman whom he has brought with him is Eleanor, daughter of Michael Steffe of Totnes.

2. Of Eleanor Lewes, who says she was married to one Adam Lewes in the p. church of Medysham, Suff., "a month next after St. Bartyllmew now a year past." Her father's name is Michael Steffe, dwelling in Hadley, in said county. Immediately after their marriage they came to Malling, in Kent, where they remained till the beginning of August last; then came to Rye.

Being called again before the mayor, she said her husband was born at Mendham, in Suff., and is a priest; which the husband then confirmed, saying he knew a hundred priests married.

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5 Aug. **451.** SIR BRIAN STAPILTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received Cromwell's letter dated Mortlake, 4 August, certifying that he might and may still accomplish Cromwell's desire in conferring the said benefice. Had presented his nephew William Pierpount at the desire of his neighbour George Pierpount, eldest brother of William, and cannot recall his grant unless Cromwell obtain Pierpount's good will to the same. Is ready to give it to any chaplain of Cromwell's, or of Mr. Richard Cromwell, who has written for it, so that Mr. Lawe have it not, whose kinsmen have not been friendly to the writer's family. Burton Jorce, 5 August. *Signed.*

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5 Aug. **452.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. The bearer, the abbot of Warden, having promised the Earl of Rutland to resign to one whom he should appoint, has accordingly done so in favour of Thomas London of his house on certain conditions agreed between them; but London, in breach of the agreement, has procured the repair of Doctor Peter for the taking of his resignation. Begs favour for the said abbot, who was by Norfolk's means preferred to the abbacy. Shrifhoton, 5 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Aug. **453.** THE DEPUTY AND COUNCIL OF CALAIS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Yesterday the mayor, burgesses, and aldermen elected as mayor lord Edmund Haward, the King's controller here, which we thought strange and not meet, as the mayor has to account before the controller for all royalties and forfeits by sea and land. Moreover, as many of the council are not resident our bench would be diminished, so I refused the said lord Edmund his oath till I hear the King's pleasure. When Whetehill and Wingfield were mayors they more "aproched" against the King's deputy and the retinue than had been done for 100 years. Is bound by his oath to oversee the mayor and aldermen. Bartelot's ship arrived that same day in the Rode ready towards London, and would have been attacked by three French ships of war if I had not caused the guns of Ryssebank and Beauchamp tower to shoot at them. Calais, 5 Aug.

Answers a possible allegation of the mayor and aldermen. Last night Catillon arrived out of France and took shipping to-day for Dover. *Signed by* Lord Lisle, Sir Ric. Graynfeld, Sir Thos. Palmer, and Wm. Sym[pson].

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5 Aug. **454.** ANTHOINE BRUSSET to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I was informed last night that two or three French ships had that day taken a ship of Flanders before your haven at Calais notwithstanding the truce lately made between the Emperor and the French king, but I suppose that the Frenchmen were not informed of it. I therefore send a copy of the said truce that you may assist in the deliverance of the Emperor's subject. I thank you for the two crampings you have sent me. Gravelines, 5 Aug. 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

5 Aug. **455.** TOKEWITH AND BYLTON, Yorks.

R. O. Survey of Tokewith, Yorks., taken 5 Aug. 29 Henry VIII.

Fourteen tenants at will named, with the extents of their tenures, whose united rents amount to 16*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.* There are no outrents, customs nor services. The wood upon the common is worth 4*l.* The ground is all in tillage and little pasture, and "there is no commodity of waters nor delves or mines." There is very good common of pasture.

The following have lands within the lordship of Tokewith:—Sir Oswald Wilstrop, lands worth 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, the late prior of Heley 40*s.*, and late prioress of Synnyngthwayte, 9*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, (*in margin:* "in manu Regis"), Sir Brian Stapleton, 32*s.*; Oswald Tomlynson 40*s.*; and Wm. Thwaytes, 21*s.* 4*d.*

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R. O. 2. Survey of the manor of Bylton, Yorks., taken 7 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

Fifteen tenants at will are named, whose united rents amount to 27*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* The woods in the park and West Hagge, about 120 acres, are worth 200 mks. "There be two ponds or stews well stored with fishes

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nigh to the manor place, and a great water within the said park called a mere or stanke," and no other waters nor "delves of stone" nor other commodities. There is good common of pasture.

Rents "resolute" to Sir Jas. Strangways, 9*l.* 8*s.*; the prior of Heley 100*s.*; and prioress of Synningthwate, 8*s.* (these two being "now in the King's hands"); and the vicar of Bylton, 53*s.* 4*d.* Leaving clear value to the lord, 10*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

Pp. 3. *In the same hand as the preceding.*

6 Aug. **456.** CROMWELL to the IRISH COMMISSIONERS.

St. P. II. 466. Enclosing letters received by the King from James of Desmond since their departure. Windsor, 6 Aug.

Half page (*See* No. 389, v.).

6 Aug. **457.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

The King at the suit of the mayor and burgesses of Limerick allows the priory of Holy Rood in Limerick to stand undissolved, and you are to see that Patrick Hawlde, the prior, enjoys the same peaceably as before. Windsor, 6 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

P. 1. (*See* No. 389, XI.).

6 Aug. **458.** NORTHILL, BEDS.

R. O. Award, made 6 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., by Nich. Luke and Nich. Hardyng as arbitrators in a dispute between John Gostwyk, of Wyllyngton, Beds., Edw. Poke, of Southievell (Southill), and Thos. and John Carter, of Beston (Beeston), on the one part, and Reynold Tychemersh, Will. Fleccher, and Hugh Harodon, of Northievell (Northill), on the other, the latter being wardens of lands in Beston, Hacche, Thornecote, and Budnaw, Beds, bequeathed by Will. Fitz and Cecily Beton for the finding a priest in the chapel of St. Anne upon the porch of the parish church of Northievell for an obit for their souls. *Signed and sealed by the arbitrators* (*but Hardyng's seal is lost*).

Parchment. Endd.

6 Aug. **459.** EDWARD ABP. OF YORK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires credence for the bearer, his chaplain, touching the declaration made by my lords of Durham and Bath "in cause of probate of testament being in some doubt between my lord of Canterbury and me." Savoy, 6 Aug. 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

6 Aug. **460.** LORD JAMES BUTLER to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Thanks him for his gentle cheer. Begs him to favour the bearer, whom he sends on business of his to Flanders, as Lisle will perceive by my lord Privy Seal's letters. Commendations to lady Lisle and all her gentlewomen. London, 6 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

6 Aug. **461.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received Cromwell's letters on Saturday last and perceives the King will have Mr. Thirlebye and Mr. Curren sent up with all speed. Their departure without his own return from hence is as displeasant to him as ever parting was. Commends their diligence and wisdom and begs Cromwell's favour with the King for their advancement. Toplif, 6 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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6 Aug. **462.** KIRKSTEAD ABBEY.

Harl. 144, f. 5. B. M. A survey of all the lands and tenements of the abbot of Kirkstead, late attainted, taken 6 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., giving full particulars of holdings, rents, tenures, leases, &c. Another date, 15 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., appears in the margin (at f. 27 b.) evidently made during the progress of the survey.

About 85 pages with numerous alterations and insertions.

Ib. f. 1. 2. Rental of the demesnes of the monastery of Kirkstead from 1 May 29 Hen. VIII. to 1 May next following, giving the names of tenants and their holdings. Noted in the margin as let by commandment of Sir Wm. Parre.

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Ib. f. 3. 3. A list of the holdings let as above. With the same marginal note as the preceeding qualified by the words "which was done afore my coming hither."

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Ib. f. 4. 4. "The parsonages belonging to the late master of Kyrkestede."

A valor of the parsonages of Woddall (let to John Bell from Michaelmas next) and Wyspington (let to William Myles from Mich. next) and of the churches in the patronage of Kirkstead, *i.e.*, Thymbleby, Gayton and Covenham.

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Ib. f. 5. 5. A declaration of grants and annuities granted by the abbot of Kirkstead, giving dates, terms, &c.

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6 Aug. **463.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Saturday last, the 4th, the mayor of Calais according to custom assembled the aldermen and burgesses for the election of a new mayor for 12 months. Lord Edmund Haward, being a burgess proposed the name of an alderman of substance, but all the assembly besides himself "cried their election my lord Edmund Haward." Never knew so much secrecy preserved by "Caliciens" up to the very time. Lord Edmund himself was surprised, and told them that he was the King's controller before whom the mayor accounted, and that he could not be judge in his own cause unless the King commanded it. The mayor and electors said they had precedents of 2, 3, or 4 controllers who had been mayors, who accounted before the treasurer of Calais. As the election proceeds of pure good will and may be profitable to lord Edmund, advises that it be accepted. It really shows the loyalty of the corporation. Guisnes, 6 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

6 Aug. **464.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Arrived yesterday the 5th, at Bregis, where the lady Regent is. Could not obtain a copy of the articles of the truce. Addressed the Regent at evensong, when a gentleman of the Imperial ambassador in England took leave of her to go to England, requesting to be informed of the conditions. She said De Bewre had written about it to the King. She considered it neither peace nor truce but an abstinence of war for 10 months to avoid slaughter, either party being at liberty to do their best by land or sea without invading. She intends to remain here 8 or 10 days and then to go to Brussels. Bregis, 6 Aug.

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R. O. 2. Copy of the preceding, addressed to my lord Privy Seal, with a P.S. announcing that exchange is stopped and much money likely to be conveyed over, though all coins shall be called down here.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

7, 24 Aug. **465.** ALDRIDGE, BISHOP OF CARLISLE.

See GRANTS in AUGUST, Nos. 3 and 9.

7 Aug. **466.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. My lord Privy Seal does not write in answer to Lisle's letter by Goodall but wishes Hussey to inform him that the King will in no wise that my lord Howard be admitted to the mayoralty. He has written the King's full pleasure to the late mayor and aldermen. The letter your Lordship sent by Sotton the serjeant was delivered to my lord Privy Seal and read in the King's presence; "whereat his Grace laughed full heartily." The letter concerning the premises was delivered to Floyde the mayor's clerk. Thinks the oftener they write the worse they will speed. Would not for 100*l.* Lisle had admitted Lord Howard and given him his oath. Mr. Surveyor earnestly solicited this matter to "my lord" who desired me to write that he left certain letters at Dover which my lord Privy Seal wrote to your lordship, my lord Chamberlain and Mr. Marshal concerning his matter. He wishes to know if they came to hand. My lord Privy Seal favours "him" very well, and you may show Mr. Marshal that if he look not to it he may have a fall from which he may not recover; for my lord Privy Seal called me into his presence with none else but Mr. Surveyor to hear his answer to Mr. Marshal's servant, which was not very pleasant. I hope his man had more wit than to show him all together. Begs Lisle to show him this, of himself, as he is my Lady's nigh cousin. Mr. Richard is very glad of his horse and desires him here within 15 days at Stepney. I trust he will deserve the horse or the year go out. My lord Privy Seal says your suit shall be rid before the King go from Grafton; and Mr. Richard says he will never leave his uncle till it be done. Sends two letters, for Lisle and my lord Chamberlain. "They are for suffrages for my lord Northumberland, in whose room succedeth my lord Privy Seal; for I saw him wear his Garter this day." Lord Darcy's arms are defaced. Sir Chr. Morris sends thanks for your great cheer, and desires you to show Mr. Porter that he has obtained licence for him to come to England. Coming from the Court, I hope to send you letters and warrants for half a dozen bucks. Would gladly have your answer about the abbot of Westminster. Mr. Garter would like a piece of wine. Sends in a little box two new indentures and an old one delivered by Mr. Huntly's son of Gloucestershire for 12 acres of meadow by his father's house. St. Katharine's 7 Aug.

The King returns to the Queen at Windsor on Bartholomew eve.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

7 Aug. **467.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have received your letter by the bearer and am sorry your ladyship is still in pain, but I doubt not God will soon relieve you. I am glad your ladyship has received your cushion, but am sorry it is no forwarder. Still I think it is better to take it thus than never to have it. I will talk to-morrow with Horne, and see his books rid, if they be not already crossed. My lord Privy Seal has promised to despatch my Lord's long suit before the King leave Grafton. Palmer is not yet come. You may send your daughters when it pleases you, but if they come within five or six weeks it will be time

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467. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.—*cont.*

enough. I hope Sir William, of whom you write, will do well enough, but the other I think shall sing *sursum corda*. I wish one priest I could name in Calais were with him. My lord Privy Seal is knight of the Garter. Mr. Surveyor sends compliments; also Sir Chr. Morys. Mr. Basset's Chamber shall be surely kept. I would venture to desire to be commended to him and Mrs. Frances. St. Katharine's, 7 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

7 Aug. **468.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

In favour of the bearer (Fras. Herbart *in margin*), now at the dissolution of the army to have the keeping of one of the garrisons. Windsor, 7 Aug.

Half page. (*See* No. 389, III.).

7 Aug. **469.** CHESTER.

R. O. Certificate by Will. Godeman, mayor of Chester, and Geo. Leche and Geo. Lightfote, sheriffs, of the payment of the city customs on the cargo of a ship called *the Cateryn Godeman*, Patrick Galler, master, the owners appearing personally for the purpose "in penticio ejusdem civitatis," 7 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. The goods consist of leather, hides, cotton, and karsies.

ii. Similar certificate of the payment of customs for a ship called *the Cateryn Graye*, of London, 4 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

Copy, Latin, p. 1. *Endd.*

7 Aug. **470.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have this morning received your letter, with one from my lord Privy Seal to your Lordship, and another from him to myself, which latter you mention that you had broken up "for lack of sight," but closed it again when my Lady informed you it was to me. The mistake is not material, for I am content with your Lordship's pleasure, but henceforth I desire to unclose my own letters, and I will gladly communicate their contents to you. I return your letter from my lord Privy Seal. Guysnes, 7 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

8 Aug. **471.** PETER VANNES to CROMWELL.

R. O. After the French ambassador had read the letters I gave him from your Lordship, he answered he had already been informed by certain French merchants that it was not by Frenchmen but by Biscayans, who were in that part of the sea at the time, that the wrong had been done to the Admiral's ship. Said I could affirm nothing, but I was sure the King was not accustomed to admit uncertain expostulations as proofs, nor were the English sailors so ignorant but that they could tell a French ship from a Spanish. I wondered, too, how these French merchants knew of this affair so quickly. He said he was about to write fully to his King, and from him condign punishment may be demanded if the authors were discovered to be French. I said it was the brotherly part of friendship to take up and right one another's wrongs; the truth could not long be hidden if he committed the matter to his magistrates and prefects of ports.

Letters from Flanders state that the promulgation of peace was received with bonfires, and that the Queen in her palace has deferred it for some days, in order to make it with more solemnity. The marquis of Guasti is made

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Governor of Milan until the daughter of king Ferdinand is of age to be married to the duke of Orleans.

I have heard also, from a Spaniard, that peace is made between Ferdinand and the Vayvode and a league to resist the Turks. London, 8 Aug.

Hol., Latin, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **472.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

Has already written in favour of the bearer, Fras. Herberd. The King's pleasure is that if he espy anything suitable, and make suit for it, you shall advertise his Majesty of the value. Dunstable, 8 Aug.

Half page. (*See* No. 389, iv.).

8 Aug. **473.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters. 345.

Thanks him for advertising the King of the tenor of his letters sent by Sir Edward Ryngisley. Is glad he has conceived such a good opinion of Sir Edward. Will do him what pleasure he can.

Asks Cromwell to give him some preferment in the alteration of these religious houses. Forde, 8 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **474.** ARTHUR LOWE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I beg you be not displeased that I did not come myself to certify you of Sir Bryan Stapleton's answer. I desired licence of the Queen, but her Grace willed me to send her messenger, as she had no more chaplains but me and one other. At first Sir Brian Stapleton told my servant he would grant your Lordship the presentation, but after counsel taken, said he would write. I suppose he will make suit that he may once again present some other of his friends, and put me by; for they think that by my suit to the Bishop his friends were rejected. I beg you will continue your goodness to me, and trust the Queen will thank you therefor. Wyndsowre, 8 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **475.** THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF CANTERBURY to MR. CHR. HALES, Master of the Rolls, and JOHN HALES, one of the Barons of the Exchequer.

R. O.

On Monday night, John Barley, servant, as he saith, to the lord Warden of the Five Ports, came to Canterbury, and 24 outlandish men with him armed with moryspykes and handguns. They lodged in three several houses, John Barley with six others at the Red Lion. One John Standley, surgeon, gave information to Chr. Conway, borsholder of the ward of Westgate, then being in the King's watch in that ward, that Barley had mortally wounded a man at Barhamdowne the afternoon before. Whereupon the borsholder, with two watchmen, went about 9 o'clock the same night, to apprehend Barley, who with a hand-sword, and aided by the six foreigners, resisted and wounded the borsholder. I and my brethren, hearing a great number of strange persons were in the inns and were purposing to kill the borsholder, "reysed" certain persons and, accompanied by Henry Johnson, the King's servant, went to the place and endeavoured to calm their fury and apprehend Barley. Meanwhile among themselves one of them was killed. We arrested them and on this Tuesday last have examined them. The outlandish men say that Barley asked them to come to England with him and said he would put them into the King's wages and had the King's

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475. The Mayor and Alderman of Canterbury to Mr. Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls, and John Hales, one of the Barons of the Exchequer—*cont.*

letters to that intent; Barley says they came of their own accord. We treat them as gently as we may till we hear from you what to do with them. Canterbury, Wednesday, 8 August. *Signed:* Robt. Lewys.

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* Robt. Leder.

*** Apparently this letter was originally enclosed in another cover addressed by Hales' clerk to "lord Cromwell, lord Keeper of the King's Privy Seal."

8 Aug. **476.** Northill, Beds.

R. O. Receipt given 8 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. by Thos. and John Carter of Beston, Beds. (in pursuance of the award of 6 Aug., No. 458), to Reynold Tychemersh, Will. Fleecher, and Hugh Haroden, wardens of the lands belonging to the chapel of St. Anne set on the porch of Northieveil church, for 8*l.* in full satisfaction of their interest in said lands.

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8 Aug. **477.** John Bishop of Bangor to Cromwell.

R. O. A commission of sewers was lately directed to my lord of Winchester, the writer, and others, for the river between Southampton and Winchester; and they have since received the King's letters and Cromwell's to "sharpen" them forward. Have taken such order as will appear by a book sent by this bearer, who can explain everything. Payment of money is resisted on the ground that we have exceeded our commission; but every foot both of water and land has been well viewed. Hide, 8 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **478.** Thomas [Vaux Lord] Harowdon to Cromwell.

R. O. The two bearers were my sureties to one Latham of London, goldsmith, who has vexed them sore. Please be a mean to the King for me for his Grace to recompense me for the overplus of Grenes Norton; I would pay him and all others I owe unto: or else stay Latham's suit against them. My only trust is in you. Harowdon, 8 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **479.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Received yesterday Cromwell's letters of the 6th, and this day those
St. P. v. 99. of the 7th. Does not see why he was forbidden to come to the King at Ampthill when affairs had to be debated with the ambassador of Scotland and for the ordering of the council here after his departure. Wonders at this after his many representations. Fears he has back friends. Wishes the council that is to remain after his departure to be appointed some time before he leaves. Cannot express all the pricks of agony that are in his heart, and now he is like to be maimed in his right arm. Does not know about the expedition of his daughter's causes or his own for Bungay. Toplif Lodge, 8 Aug.

P.S.—The fellow with the "sanslyme" face, whom Crane accused, was brought to him by Sir Thomas Hilton. The other three that were apprehended will be brought to him on Sunday next.

Added in his own hand: The loss of a finger would not cause him so much sorrow as not to see his master at this time.

Sealed. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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8 Aug. **480.** THOS. BULL, Mayor of Plymouth,* to CROMWELL.

R. O. By Cromwell's help they are all agreed and all dissension clearly extinguished. Trusts that he will be no more troubled with them if Jas. Horswell may come no more to the town, who has been the chief occasion of these dissensions. Men despair of his amendment, for he is a man of a marvellous nature, disposed naturally to malice, loving to keep a great port divers ways, which cannot be maintained without "souking" the poor people, for he has nothing to live on save a poor office, which doing truly cannot be worth 20 nobles a year, and he is greatly indebted. Plymouth, 8 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **481.** LA ROCHEPOT to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I hear that the crews of my galleons captured a hoy of Holland laden with beer on the 3rd instant, and took it to Calais, where they have been imprisoned. As truce was proclaimed in our camp on the last of July, and I wish to observe it, I desire you to restore the hoy and its cargo to the owners, and to send back my men. Amiens, 8 Aug. 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

8 [Aug.] **482.** C[ALAIS] PURSUIVANT to the LORD [DEPUTY] OF CALAIS.

[Calig. E. 1, II.?] 104. B. M. Did not find the hoys on his arrival at Newhaven, but at Cawdebek with the men-of-war. Informed the lieutenant of the Admiralty and delivered the Deputy's letters directed to the captains of the havens. He refused to meddle in the matter till he had orders from the Vice-admiral. Was referred to the secretary, who wrote in his master's name to the lieutenant to do justice, for my lord would soon be at home. Notwithstanding, "as a false Judas . . . . two hours before my lord's arriving he [the lieutenant] gave sent[ence] the hoys and all things therein to be as good prize[s as] they were Flemings within borde, making no mention [of] the English mariners which they had set alond," as he will perceive by this bearer. His lordship promised satisfaction on his arrival, but he thinks they are "as all one as Jack un[der] the hedge." Sends a letter from him. At the advice of Hew Gyles advertised my lord ambassador of it. Has none but French news, which is commonly untrue. Rowen, 8 . . . .

Hol., mutilated, pp. 2. *Add.:* To the right hon., &c. my lord [Deputy] of Calais."

8 Aug. **483.** WILLIAM LOK, Mercer, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Antwerp, 8 Aug. 1537. General discontent with the truce. People think Turwyn would have been won in four days. The under captains offered "to leffe there hedds" if allowed to assault it, and were promised an answer next morning when the truce was announced. Numbers of the men, both horse and foot, have come over the water to this town already. They have been coming through for five days. The Emperor will never be able to raise so many good men again. No man yet knows more of the truce than that it is for 10 months. As I came hither there were both at Dunkirk and Nieuport five or six crayers laden with wheat, rye, and barley from Kent.

P.S. Was wont to write to the King, but there is nothing worth reporting. Mr. Governor is not yet come to the mart from the lady Regent.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

* Bull was mayor from Mich. 1536 to Mich. 1537. *See* Jewitt's Hist. of Plymouth, p. 88.

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8 Aug. **484.** HARVEL to MORISON.

R. O. Wrote last on the 28th ult. Has not heard from Morison for a long season. The Turk's navy of 300 sail arrived on the 26th ult. in Puglia, and landed 10,000 foot and 2,000 horse at Castro. The saying is they would take Tarento or Brundusium, the two best propug[nacula] of the realm of Naples, and thus have secure shipping. Andrea Doria has done memorable acts with 28 galleys, for besides taking 10 Turkish ships coming from Alexandria with victuals and munitions and a ship coming from Ancona, he has taken 15 of their best galleys after a severe fight in which he lost 200 men and the enemy were all slain except about 600. It is said he has assembled 60 ships in Messina, and will have 60 or 70 galleys, of which there are 25 at Genoa, which will pass on after the 10,000 Almains have entered Italy. There has been a skirmish between Venetian and Turkish galleys lately, in which three or four galleys of both parts perished. The Venetians fear the Turk and will join the Emperor. On the 1st inst. Filippo Stroci was captured near Florence by 2,000 Imperials, when he and his company were going to join with 3,000 men in another place. About 200 of the chief outlaws of the city were made prisoners. They are now utterly without hope of change. Nothing has occurred in Piedmont, but when the Almains come the marquis of Guasto will be doing. The 2,000 revolted Spaniards have returned to their duty. Ferdinando has two powers in Hungary but they do nothing. The French King's death was reported here yesterday, and also that Toroin (Terouenne) would yield. Venice, 8 Aug. 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* M. Ricardo Morison—in Londra. *Endd.*

9 Aug. **485.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

St. P. II. 467. The King has received such another letter from James of Desmond as the copy enclosed in my letters by Patrick Barnwell. As he appears conformable and offers to reduce Munster in two years with 300 men, you are to show him the King takes his letters in good part. You shall then with the advice of others consider his intentions and weigh his power if the King should take such order between him and the young man, whose title most men prefer. Ampthill, 9 Aug.

P.S. The King knows that James of Desmond has in his country James de la Hyde and Parson Walsche, two detestable traitors, and the son of Kildare. At your first conference you must get him to deliver them up "for an doubted argument of his truth, which in words and writing he sueth to deliver the same to the Deputy." If he will not deliver them you shall try to get them against his will, for the King has it much to heart.

Pp. 2. (*See* No. 389, VII.).

9 Aug. **486.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

The bearer, Martin Skryn, had a bill signed by the late Deputy for the Custom of Carlingford, which I understand appertains to the castle there which is given to Gerome Lynne. Please examine the matter, and if you find that the office belongs to Lynne by his patent, make this man some honest recompense. If Lynne have no right, then make him a lease at the rate this man would have paid. Ampthill, 9 Aug.

P. 1. (*See* No. 389, IX.).

9 Aug. **487.** RICHARD TAVERNER to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Has been absent from Court, having had to resort to London, where the plague reigns, and being busy preparing for his marriage. Begs to be excused to my Lord. Made close search in Norfolk as to the patronage of

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Brisley Church, but cannot find my Lord's right.* Yet Mr. Godsalf showed me that Mr. Hogain and others had made search long before, *i.e.*, on the rumor of the country, which was so much in favour of my Lord's right that he could not but think so. "From Sir Giles Capell's, who heartily commendeth him unto you, in Essex, on St. Lawrence even."

Hol., p 1. *Endd.*

9 Aug. R. O. **488.** JOHN HALES to [CROMWELL].

Encloses a letter which the mayor of Canterbury sent yesterday to the Master of the Rolls and to him. When it arrived the Master of the Rolls was hunting with the Archbishop in one of his parks, 11 miles from Canterbury, and Hales was just returning to his house at Canterbury. The Master of the Rolls, having no time to write, bade Hales tell the mayor to advertise your lordship of the truth of the matter in the letter, and to detain John Barley and the 24 Dutchmen with whom he came to England, and who ride armed, contrary to statutes, until he knows your lordship's pleasure. Canterbury, Thursday, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

[9] Aug. R. O. **489.** SIR WM. PARRE to CROMWELL.

On Tuesday last received the King's letters commanding him to accompany Pollard in surveying the lands of Husy, Barlinges, and Christede. As the King is coming to Grafton, would rather have gone there. Asks Cromwell to go to his house and repose there, though he cannot be there himself.

Reminds him of the suit of the people of Lincoln for lands in the city belonging to the two abbeys. Pollard has surveyed it all to the King's use, to the impoverishing of the city and Parre's reproach, as he was petitioner for them. Asks Cromwell to order Pollard either to deliver the survey in again or detain it without engrossing.

Last Saturday, at Northampton, caused a person's ear to be nailed to the pillory for saying that he trusted before he died to see those who were of counsel for plucking down abbeys, hanged. He shall remain in prison until Cromwell's pleasure be known. Sleforde, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Aug. R. O. **490.** THE EARL OF WORCESTER to LORD FERRERS.

When together before the King's Council in the Marches, granted him the understewardship of Arrustly and Keviliock. The King has directed to the Earl, master Chambre, and other, a commission of entry into the said lordship, authorising Chambre to survey it and receive arrearages, tallages, &c. which lord Ferrers' deputies have received, and the country is not content therewith. Does not wish any courts to be kept by him or his deputies, lest inconveniences should arise, till the King's pleasure be known. Tynterne, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Mem. at the foot (not in lord Ferrers' hand):* "I received this letter by John Body, the earl of Worcester's servant, on the 8th day of October."

9 Aug. R. O. **491.** ABBOT OF ARBROATH to CROMWELL.

Coming from the King my master to the King his uncle I heard at Stantfurd that his Grace was in these parts, and send the bearer, officer of arms, to your lordship, to learn when I may have "presence" of his Grace. Stantfurd, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed and Endd.*

* In 1537 the living of Brisley was vacant, and it was obtained by William Flint on the presentation of Hugh Hastings.—Blomefield's Hist. of Norfolk, IX. 470.

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9 Aug. **492.** ANTHOINE DE CALONNE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. Has received his letters asking for the return of English prisoners in the Emperor's service taken at Balinghen in the English pale.

Expects the Seneschal* tomorrow, and will speak to him on the subject. Autinghes castle, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

9 Aug **493.** JAMES BASSET to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Excuses himself for writing nothing more than that he has received half a crown of the Rose, as the messenger was in a hurry. Begs her to send him three cramp-rings of gold and three of silver. Paris, 9 Aug.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Debitis a Calleis.

9 Aug. **494.** HUGH GILLS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Has resorted to the premier President and Mons. de Moy, vice-admiral, but cannot obtain the deliverance of the three hoys detained at Dieppe: only that we shall have justice before the high admiral's judge at the Marble Stone, Rouen. Thinks they will condemn the hoys, as they have done those laden with the King's timber. After my arrival at Rouen, Jas. Thomas, owner of one of the hoys, sent his son William to my lord of Winchester to obtain redress. They invent all kinds of delays. This day, 9 Aug., Calais, the pursuivant, left for Paris to my lord of Winchester, by whom I hope for redress. Begs to come home. At the Admiral's place within a mile of Caudebec, 9 Aug. 1537.

P.S. All the lords here have been very busy since the truce, and we Englishmen think that there is something amiss, and hear say very secretly that the man with the great nose (Francis I.) is departed out of this world so that the truce was proclaimed in the Dolphin's name. The Vice-admiral will give no safe-conducts.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

10 Aug. **495.** SIR THOS. AUDELEY, Chancellor, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Since the receipt of your last I have stayed still the Frenchmen at Harwich and caused them to be examined. I can find no piracy yet done by them, but two of them, about two years ago, robbed a poor Englishman on the coast of Normandy, who has long sued in France for remedy, but could never get the thieves that robbed him. If they were all committed to ward, as your letters direct, they would fill the gaol. They would fain go and leave the ship behind them, which only contains ordnance, and no goods or victuals to find themselves with. If they go to gaol they are like to perish of hunger, for Englishmen will do no charity to them. They are as proud knaves as I have talked with. Please make my recommendations to the King and Queen. I thank your Lordship for your last news. St. Osy Abbey, St. Lawrence Day.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Aug. **496.** EDWARD LARGE, Priest.

R. O. Depositions taken 10 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII.

John Bragden, examined before Wm. Lucy and John Combes, says that Sir Edward Large never spoke or preached in the church of Hampton that Christ did not die for us now alive, but only for those that died before his Incarnation. His preaching always was the contrary. Never heard him preach that if Christ were now alive again he should die as cruel a death,

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"as ye see how their heads go off now daily," but he said, "Think you not if Christ were here now, that he should not be put to death? Yea, verily if some of the high bishops might have as great power as they have had."

ii. Adam Crave says he never heard Sir Edw. Large preach that Christ died only for those before his Incarnation, nor that if he were now alive he should die as cruel a death, &c.

iii. Thomas Percival confirms the preceding depositions, and says he heard Large preach "that Christ and his word is all one, and he that would burn Christ's word would burn him if he had him." He also heard him say that if his father had been in the North in the rebellion he would do no more for him than he would do for a Turk.

iv. John Pyper heard him preach no such words as alleged, and Ralph Symkox, Robt. Daves, Robt. Walles, Robt. Hopkyns, Thos. Crave, John Sare, John Hygyns, John Staunton, Robt. Pere (?), Thos. Tyller, Ric. Lynton, Robt. Tyller, Simon Rogers, John Payne, Nich. Wylkynson, Wm. Scheperd, Ric. Edwards, Robert Wotton, and George Grevith give testimony to the like effect. *Signed by* Lucy and Combes.

Pp. 3. *Endd.*

10 Aug. R. O. **497.** TUNSTALL to CROMWELL.

Has forborne to write since his departure from London, first, on account of the mortality about London, which made him afraid to send a messenger till all his company were clear; and, 2ndly, because they have been attacked with the sweat since he came hither. All his servants have escaped but one, who died by misordering of himself. Will therefore abstain from resorting to Cromwell as long as he thinks right. Sends meanwhile a letter which has come from Sir Thomas Tempest, which he intended to have brought himself, that ye may consider whether there be any more in my letters than in yours. Thinks some one should be left in Norfolk's place to keep in order the tenants of the lands which have come into the King's hands. Laylame, 10 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

10 Aug. R. O. **498.** JEHAN FOUBER to LORD LISLE.

I sent my servant to Calais to obtain information about a ship belonging to my brother taken by a French ship during the truce, and he made report that it was necessary to give surety for the said ship to the sum of 120 angels in case it should be found lawful prize. I beg you will send one of your servants as surety, and I bind myself to save you harmless. Ostande, 10 Aug. 1537.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

10 Aug. Poli Epp. II. 80. **499.** CARD. POLE to CARD. CONTARINI.

Again commends the services of the Card. of Liege. An opportunity of requiting them has arisen as will be seen by letters which Verona writes to Dominus Carolus de Fano. Would have returned this time at once on learning the Pope's wish had not Verona brought a message from the Queen's court that the card. of Liege would like to see him before he left. The Cardinal is now only eight miles off and will be here in two days. Priolus writes the rest. Liege, 10 Aug. 1537.

Latin.

11 Aug. **500.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

Recommends Edw. Beke in his suits. Ampthill, 11 Aug.

Half page (*See* No. 389, x.).

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11 Aug. **501.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

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Master Lucy will himself tell Cromwell about matters here. Bespeaks Cromwell's favour towards him. There are too few such gentlemen in the King's realm. "He can open to you all together as to the priest's of Hampton's judgment what proceedings it had." Would wish better judgment to be in some of the King's judges and more favour towards reformation in religion. There are many judgments, but few or none are brought to the ordinary's knowledge, after due form of the King's Acts. "As for my brother prior's matter, my lord of Harford's and mine and Clare Hall's matter dependeth only of your opportune and behoovable remembrance."

As to St. John's college, factions and affections are not yet exiled out of Cambridge. Asks him to extend his goodness thereunto, being their Chancellor. Is not so light of credence as Master Ponnes pretends. Postridie Laurentii, at Harlebury. *Signed:* H. Latymer, Busshope.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* viii. Aug.

11 Aug. **502.** THOMAS LEGH,* LL.D., to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has visited the archdeaconries of Coventry and Stafford, where he found the men very tractable, lacking only good instruction. Reminds Cromwell as touching Burton Lazor, whereof he desires nothing but possession; also touching Dr. Dawkyns, who is content to submit himself to the King's mercy. Derlegh, 11 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Aug. **503.** G. EARL OF SHREWSBURY to CROMWELL.

R. O. [1536-7.]

Sends him as the best novelty he can get in this barren moorish country a stag baken in 10 pasties. Hansworth, 11 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Aug. **504.** MAXIMILIAN D'EGMONT to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

In behalf of the bearer who desires to retire into England, and who loyally served the Emperor in the last war. Bruges, 11 Aug. 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

12 Aug. **505.** MAYOR AND JURATS OF RYE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

In favour of Mr. William Enold, their curate, who has been accused to Cromwell by some of those of small substance who wish him removed from the town. Written at Rye, 12 August, not only in the name of the mayor and jurats, but also of the following honest men (75 *names given*) and others.

In John Swan's hand, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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2. Information against William Inold, priest and curate of Rye, who had served the church there from his return to Rye on July 14th to August 8th, and to whom a letter was delivered by Robert Coke from the Council "when he had solemnly sung high mass of the feast of Jesu in the presence of Thomas Fougler, John Yonge, and other."

1. That he had caused a great disturbance at Rye by railing "upon many honest men there, calling them heretics"—"provoking others of his accomplices, drunkards and papists, to fight with them"; —boasting "that their old fashions should still flourish"; keeping "high and holy in the

* Erroneously printed in Vol. XI., No. 273.

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Church certain idell holy days lately abrogated," as St. Anne, the Transfiguration of our Lord, and the feast of the Name of Jesu; some of them as though they had been the highest days in the year, with solemn ringing, singing, procession, decking of the church. 2. Inviting the people at Burwash, in a corner of the country, Sunday Aug. 5th, to remain as of old time they had done, of which sermon John and Alexander Colyn are witnesses. 3. For saying "that they that have the New Testament in their hands have a sword," and are clean out of the right way.

P. 1. *Large paper. Endorsed by Wriothesley.*

12 Aug. **506.** Deputy and Council of Ireland to Henry VIII.

Lamb. MS. 607, f. 22. To the same effect as their letter to Cromwell following. Kilmainham, 12 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed like the letter which follows.*

Lamb. 601. f. 41. 2. Another copy.

12 Aug. **507.** Deputy and Council of Ireland to Cromwell.

Tit. B. xi., 359. B. M. St. P. ii. 468. Since writing to the King about their proceedings against Ochonour, marched, with 14 days' victuals, against the Cavenaghes, whom they have often recommended to be exiled and the place inhabited by the King. Took and prostrated two piles (peels) of the Nolans, their adherents, and forced the Cavenaghes to put in their pledges.

Sent for the earl of Ossory, marched through O'Moris and MacGilphatrike's lands, and with their assistance, and that of Chaier Ochonour, governor of Ochonour's country, Omulmoy and Macgoghegan invaded Okarvaile, who had succoured Ochonour. Notwithstanding the comfort he had of O'Breen and Connaght, compelled him to deliver hostages.

Took a castle in Omaghar's country, and forced him to do likewise. While there, Ochonour came under a safe-conduct and redeemed his son, who was a hostage, for 300 mks. He then made humble supplication to be restored to his country, promising not to demand tribute or black rent from the King's lands or subjects, but to pay the King a yearly sum. Replied that they would not grant this until he had obtained the King's pardon, and they advise the King not to grant it, for they think he will never be true longer than opportunity may serve him to the contrary.

So much has never been done with 14 days' victuals. The King's affairs go prosperously forward, but far greater results would have been obtained if the army had been duly furnished with money. Begin to have such knowledge of Irishmen and their countries, that we consider it no such difficulty to subdue or exile them as has been thought. The King may have his pleasure upon them if he would earnestly set to them. If he furnish them with money there is no enterprise which he and the Council think meet to be attempted but they think they can achieve it. O'Donell is deceased and Manus his son has obtained his place by assent of the country and the favour of O'Neile. Their two strengths joined together are to be feared.

The chief baron of the Exchequer* is lately dead. If the King appoints his serjeant-at-law† to the office he must get a man of honesty and learning in his room. If the chief baron and serjeant have not a diligent eye to the King's right, he may be greatly hindered.

Want a battery piece and artillery. There is no more to be had here.

Contradict the reports about the dissensions among them. Kilmaynan, 12 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Leonard Gray—John lord of Trymleteston, Chauncelour—Edwardus Miden'—J. Rawson, prior of Kyllmaynan—Willm. Brabason—Gerald Aylmer, justice—Thos. Houth, justice—John Alen.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Patrick Fynglas. † Patrick Barnewall.

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12 Aug. **508.** OUDART DU BIES to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Sends a letter, addressed to Lisle, received yesterday from M. de la Rochepot, with a little letter mentioning the capture of some men who had charge of his galleons, and who have been taken to Calais since the truce was concluded. Requests Lisle to answer it. Boulogne, 12 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A. Mons. [de] Lisle, chevalier de l'ordre du [Roy d'Angleterre et] son debitis [et g]ouverneur de Calais.

12 Aug. **509.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VII. 705. The enclosed articles were sent to him by one of the Regent's secretaries. The governor of Frice is raising men against Gueldres. The Regent remains at Bruges, and is daily in council with the estates. The Act made for money will stop trade in kerseys, and great sums will be conveyed out of the realm. Explains the practice of the merchants. Antwerp, 12 Aug.

Hol. Add.: lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. St. P. VII. 705 *note.* 2. "News sent by Mr. Hutton.—Summary of some letters sent into Flanders."

The prince de Auria (Doria) left Messina, 9 July, with 30 galleys, to discover the Turk's army, which is yet at Avallon. The French in Piedmont had threatened Aste, but don Ant. Darragon, who was within, sent notice to the marquis of Guasto for succours, and they retired. The viceroy of Naples writes, 3 and 11 July, of the arrival of the Pope's galleys at Naples, 30 June, in which Doria immediately departed with 1,500 Spaniards. The rest of the army were to follow 3 July. Doria arrived at Messina 4 July. News of the Turkish fleet seen, 18 June, at the point of St. Angel by a brigantine of "the Religion," &c. It is feared the Turk will invade Corfu. In Scopia, French ambassadors solicited the Turk's coming forward. Albania has risen against the Turk. News from Ragusa, 30 June, of the Turk's army at Modon. He sent his captain general Lutfibaxen and Barbarossa to Hostia with 135 galleys, and means to join the French king in Lombardy. On the 8th July the army passed the canal of Confo with 330 sail. The Venetian galleys go and come in great peace, "and do fortify their army." It is thought they will descend on Naples or Sicily. The Turk has with him 100,000 horsemen of Roumania with the 30,000 he has in Scopia. The begeberbey (beglerbey) of Greece is sent against Hungary with 7 sanjaks, *i.e.*, about 10,000 men, and 12,000 janissaries, and 15,000 others. He will advance towards Scopia, to a place two days' journey from Avelona, and appoint what the army by land shall do. The ambassador of Genoa writes, 20 July, further particulars of the retreat of the French at Aste. The French King has a fever tercian. The King of the Romans is very mighty.

R. O. 3. The same news in French.

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12 Aug. **510.** CARD. CONTARINI to CARD. POLE.

Poli Epp. II. 82. Yesterday before dinner received Pole's letters of 22 July, with that for the Pope and that from Pole's young countryman at Louvain, whose piety and erudition seem worthy of all praise. Sent them all by Beccatellus to the Vatican to Ambrosius, to read and show to the Pope. Ambrosius was sure the Pope would be pleased with the Englishman's letter in Greek and Latin. To-day he returned them with a message that a post would leave to-night for Flanders and that he was writing, and wished Contarini also to write, that the Pope recalled Pole for three reasons, (1) the indignity of staying doing nothing, (2) the fear of inconveniencing the card. of Liego by his long stay at Liege, (3) the Council indicted for the kalends of November. But since

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the letters show that Pole's abode there would not be useless to the Church and to the preservation of the piety of the English, it would be left to himself whether to return or to stay. Heat begins to moderate. Taking of Castro (*oppidum Castrum*) in the bay of Salentinum by the Turks; and massacre of the people. Prince Doria took 16 galleys and some ships of burden and has returned to Messina to recruit. "Our" galleys met a fleet of Turks who took two of them and sunk a third. Rome, 12 Aug. 1537.

Latin.

12 Aug. **511.** Card. Pole to the Sieur de Praet.

Poli Epp. II. 84. Thanking him for his good will, of which the bp. of Verona first, and afterwards the card. of Liege have been witnesses. Extols the liberality of the latter, who has almost seemed ready to share his whole treasure and purse with Pole. Liege, 12 Aug.

Latin.

Ib. 86 and 87. 2. Like letters of the same date to Corn. Scerperius, of the Emperor's council, and the abp. of Palermo, president of the Emperor's privy council.

Latin.

13 Aug. **512.** Cranmer to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. v. 329 b. B. M. Thanks Cromwell for having exhibited the bible to the King and got his Grace's permission that it shall be bought and read within the realm. Cromwell has done him more pleasure in this than if he had given him 1,000*l.*

C's Works 345. Strype's Cranmer, 82. Doubts not the results will redound to his honor. He may reckon Cranmer his bondman for the same, and, he will be bold to say, my lord of Worcester also. Ford, 13 Aug. *Signed.*

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13 Aug. **513.** [Cromwell] to the Mayor and Corporation of Cambridge.

R. O. Minute of a letter* sent to the mayor and others of Cambridge, blaming them for their ungentle dealing with the University on the occasion of the last Sturbrige fair. It would have beseemed them to have had more respect for Cromweil's previous letters (as one of His Majesty's Privy Council) than they have had. The King cannot, in equity, suffer them to encroach on the liberties of the University, any more than he can suffer the town of Barnewell to encroach on those of Cambridge. His Majesty commands that the University may have the oversight of the fairs in Cambridge and Sturbridge, that all actions in which a scholar is involved may be tried before the Vice-Chancellor, that the mayor may henceforth take his oath as the King's charter requires, and that they may observe this composition made between them and the University. Threatens them in case of disobedience. Grafton, 13 Aug.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* "The mynute of the letter sent to the mayer and other townesmen of Cambridge."

13 Aug. **514.** Sir Brian Stapilton to Cromwell.

R. O. I received your letter, dated Ampthill 9 August, by my servant on the 12th, requiring the benefice you have written for afore. I accordingly moved my cousin George Pierpount and he referred the matter to me; so I send you a presentation with a blank space in it. I trust no dilapidations may be demanded; for my son who last had it was of small substance and got it in much ruin and yet spent 100 mks. on it: I promised him on his death bed I would give it to none who would ask dilapidations. Desires the farm of it, if the incumbent be non-resident. Credence for bearer. Burton Jorce, 13 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* Printed in Cooper's Annals of Cambridge, I. 389, with the date 14 Aug. at the end.

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13 Aug. **515.** SIR JOHN PORTE to CROMWELL.

R. O. At the assizes and gaol delivery at Stafford, Sir Nicholas Whelocke, vicar of Byddell, was indicted of treason, but Porte could not proceed to his trial, for certain writings of his accusation were with Cromwell.

At Worcester were indicted of treason Sir John Wylkys, parson of St. Ellyn's, Worcester, and Sir John Hunt, a friar Preacher. The friar was found guilty, the parson acquitted, but bound to answer at next assizes if accused of any other offence. Two others were found guilty of seditious words, in the insurrection time, against the lord Steward and lord Derby. As he was doubtful whether the words were treason or misprision, has reprieved the men. Three priests and a woman were in prison for indiscreet words, and for want of evidence, were delivered by proclamation.

Intended to write before, but tarried till Mr. Englefeld had finished the residue of the circuit. Desires to know the King's pleasure. Etwall, 13 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Aug. **516.** ROBERT LORDE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Pursuant to your letter received yesterday evening I went to-day to all the goldsmiths of London except Bowes and Robert Trappes, who were not in town. Sent for Trappes 10 miles out of the city, and of him and Ralph à Latham had such parcels as your lordship wrote for, as near the value as I could get, as you wished them by to-morrow, Wednesday. London, 14 Aug. *Signed.*

Subjoined is a statement of the weight and value of the plate: Total, 137 lb. Sir John Whalley is well amended and walketh.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Aug. **517.** THE ABBOT OF RAMSEY to [RIC. CROMWELL], the Sheriff of Hunts and Cambridgeshire.

R. O. Thanks him for his kindness to him and his monastery and for his letter of thanks, of which he cannot deserve half. Writes in favour of the bearer, who wishes to declare his wrongs in person to the sheriff's uncle. Ramsey, 14 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

14 Aug. **518.** WM. FERMOUR to CROMWELL.

R. O. At the last assize holden in Oxfordshire, Humfrey Shokborowe of Browghton exhibited a bill to Sir Thos. Inglefyld, justice of assize, against Sir Ric. Crowley, parish priest of Browghton.

The examination was committed to Fermour, as the assizes were at Wallingford, which is far from the place. Sends the examination, &c., in writing. The inhabitants of Browghton, except one person and his accuser, say they never heard him use these words in the pulpit or elsewhere, and that he never preached any such thing to their knowledge. They give him a good and honest name and undertake that he shall be forthcoming. His accuser has been at variance with him about tithes and other matters, and the charge is thought to be merely from malice. Somerton, the eve of the Assumption. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Examination taken by William Fermour, 11 August 29 Henry VIII., by command of Sir Thomas Inglefyld, justice of assize within the county of Oxon, on a bill exhibited at last assizes by Humphrey Shokborowe, of Browghton, Oxon, against Sir Ric. Crowley, parish priest there.

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Shokborowe and Robt. Aleyn, constable of Browghton, depose they heard the priest, one Sunday between Xmas and Candlemas last, preach the authority of the bp. of Rome by the name of Pope, and say the Moon signified the King and the Stars the people, and that the Sun, the Pope, was taken away.

Shokborowe also deposes that Sir Richard told him, in confession, the Pope's power was as great as ever, and that the bp. of Rochester, the father of Syon, and Sir Thos. More, died for the true faith, and he himself was ready to do the same.

All which Sir Richard Crowley denies. *Signed by* William Fermor.

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14 Aug. **519.** Sir Ralph Eure [Jun.] to Cromwell.

R. O. Reminds him urgently of his long suit for the preferment of his bill to the King. Desires to be Cromwell's deputy in the stewardship of Whitby * or Gusburne or any other office. From my poor house at Fowbryg, 14 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Aug. **520.** The Town of Antwerp to Cromwell.

R. O. Request a safe-conduct for Beatrix, widow of Francis Mendes, who desires to come from Portugal to Antwerp where she has business with her brother-in-law, Diago Mendes, but on account of the war proposes to come by England. Antwerp, 14 Aug. 1537.

Fr., p. 1 (*broad sheet*). *Add. Endd.*

15 Aug. **521.** Robt. Aldrydge, Bishop of Carlisle, to Cromwell.

R. O Received on the 14th inst. his letters stating that it was the King's wish that he should confer the vicarage of St. Michael's Appulby, void by resignation of Bernard Towneley, on Cuthbert Ogle. Knows not the man's ability, but as the King and Cromwell take him for a meet man, cannot but think that he is so. Understands that he cannot cause him to be inducted before he is consecrated himself. Wishes to be so, and so does the Queen, as far as he can perceive, but the Abp. answers that his election must first be confirmed "by him or his assign." If Cromwell will send him the election, will return it. Windsor, 15 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Aug. **522.** Duke of Suffolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Desires credence for his servant the bearer. Tatersale, 15 Aug.
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P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Aug. **523.** Henry Lord Stafford to Wriothesley.

R. O. At his late being with my lord Privy Seal was ordered to absent himself from Court for a time as one of his children had died, and 3 were sick of agues. All his children are now well, and he desires to know my Lord's pleasure, whether to go and take leave of him before he goes into Staffordshire, which will be soon after Bartholomewtide. Rowghaye, 15 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

* The earl of Northumberland was steward of Whitby in 1535 (*See* Valor Eccl. v. 83), and it may be presumed the stewardship was given to Cromwell upon his death.

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15 Aug. **524.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to HENRY VIII.

R. O. In his last enclosed for haste a little paper of the 10 "skeras," taken by the prince Dory, laden with victuals and ammunition. Afterwards, going to assault Santa Mavero, he met 12 galleys and a galyot, slew the captain Cortogle and a bashaw above him "and like 500 Turks slew Christian men, 4 of this religion and like 100 sowgerys." He had taken 2 other galleys two days before "off the Schyrme" and now rests at Messina with his prizes till his men be whole. The Turk hearing of it sent 100 galleys after him "and to recoyle the tayle of his armad wyth vetuells and monyssion." The taking of the said galleys was on Maudlen Eve.*

Transfiguracio (*i.e.*, 6 Aug.). Now is arrived the brigantine which was sent "to dyscovyr, and to escuzse the great ship from the Prynce Dory" that she might go into Spain for the master; but this was impossible, news having come that the Turkish armada had besieged Otranto and, being driven off, attacked and took Castro belonging to the Venetians, slew 4,000 men, and foundered 6 Venetian galleys. The Venetians afterwards took a Turkish ship with 300 janisaries, whom they cut to pieces, and the Turks took one of theirs and slew all in her. They have broken, and the general draws towards Messina. Further reports of Barbarossa and prince Doria. Malta, 15 Aug. 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

16 Aug. **525.** HENRY VIII. to JAMES V.

Add. MS. 19,401, f. 33. B. M. Has received his letters from the abbot of Arbroth and heard his credence. Has answered it in a manner that James will accept as agreeable to his desire and correspondent to the perfect amity between them. Grafton, 16 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed at the end:* "your loving brother and uncle."

P. 1. *Add.*

16 Aug. **526.** BERWICK-UPON-TWEED.

R. O. "Book of the reparation of Berwick for the whole year ended 16 Aug. 29 R. R. Hen. VIII." (from 14 Feb. 28 Hen. VIII.). With a similar account for the preceding half-year from 16 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII.

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16 Aug. **527.** LORD LEONARD GREY to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. III. 143. All the King's affairs since I wrote last go well, as you will see by the letters from me and the Council to the King. We have lacked two things—money and artillery. Most of the soldiers are 12 months behind in their wages. As I have written often before of this, I fear all my letters have not come to your hands. Without these two things little good can be done. If any writing come to the King in favour of O'Connor to recover his country, please stop it. "He is now as low as it were a dog for the bone, and doth follow me in every place suing to be restored again," and I have replied he shall never come there without the King's special command as long as I am here. On that he made suit for his corn in Offale, and others also spoke for him, who, I fear, may write to the King and you in his favour. There is no ranker traitor in heart than he, whatsoever he saith. There are divers misorders used here of which I would have written, but they have been so colourably handled that I durst not. One is that lords and gentlemen bordering upon the Irish favour and succour them when we invade their countries. Also they are maintainers of thieves and outlaws, and verily "there is no more falsehood in all the devils of Hell

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than doth remain in them." I will send you a goshawk when I can get a keeper to carry her. Please give credence to bearer and dispatch him again shortly. The Navan, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Aug. R. O. **528.** THIBAULT ROUAULT to LORD LISLE.

The bearer has business with Mons. de Lymoges, who is with the king of England. I beg your favour for him if he has need of your help. Your daughter* is not here at this moment, but has gone out for pastime with my sister Madame de Bours. She is very well and grows handsome and *honeste* every day. Pont de Remy, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., 1. *Add.*

17 Aug. R. O. **529.** ROBERT LORDE to CROMWELL.

Statement of the parcels of gilt plate he has or shall have by noon this day "whereof I may take and leave what I will," viz.:—2 pair flagons pounced, 367 oz. (*in margin in Wriothesley's hand:* to Tarbes); 3 nests of bowls with 3 covers, 324 oz. (*Wr. in margin:* 2 nests to Tarbes, the other to Limoges); 2 basins with 2 ewers, 160 oz. (*Wr.*, 1 to Tarbes, the other to L.); 2 pr. pottle pots, 175 oz. (*Wr.*, 1 to the one, another to the other); 3 goblets, large, with cover, 98½ oz. (*Wr.*, to Tarbes); 2 quart pots (I may get more of the same fashion), 46 oz. (*Wr.*, to Tarbes). Total value at 5*s.* per oz., 292*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* Which of these parcels the King desires to have shall be ready. Friday, 17 Aug., 5 a.m.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, with speed. Haste, post, haste. *Endd.*

17 Aug. R. O. **530.** CRANMER, LATIMER, and HILSEY.

Depositions taken at Norton before Richard Sheldon, George Myddyllmore, Edward Rowley, and Wm. Fyld, 17 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

i. Of Wm. Baker of Norfyld, weaver. Heard Harry Horton of Norffyld say in Norfyld church on Monday in Whitsun week last that the bps. of Canterbury, Rochester, and Worcester were knave bishops and heretics.

ii. Of John Prest. That he heard Horton say that he was lately at London and heard the bp. of Rochester say these words at Paul's Cross, that he was come to that place upon his own mind, and now he was commanded by the King. He also heard the said Harry say "he had heard divers say that the same bishop was a heretic and a lowler, and that he heard divers serving men say when he did see a bishop, There goeth a knave bishop."

iii. Of Ric. Baker of Norfyld. That he heard the said Harry say these words, "That in Norfyld parish the bishop of Worcester was a knave bishop and a heretic, and his preaching was naught; and that he heard the King's falconer say in London that it was not the King's mind that he should so preach, and the said falconer asked whether there were none [in] Worcestershire that would pull him out of his castle."

iv. Of John Francis *aliter* Hill. That he heard the said Harry say at the guild feast in Bremmycham that the bishops of Canterbury, Rochester, and Worcester were heretics and lowlers, and another time that they were knave bishops. Also the said Harry said that the King's falconer had asked him if there were not men enough in Worcestershire to pluck him out of his castle.

v. Of John Lowe, who heard the said Harry say in Norfyld church that the bp. of Worcester was a lowler, heretic and knave bishop, and that he would make more heretics.

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vi. Ellis Baker, Wm. Baker, and Ric. Wood also confirmed the accusation, the last giving as Horton's expression that the bps. of Rochester and Worcester had made thousands of heretics, that the bp. of Worcester was "pollard horson," that he trusted to see him burned, and would carry a faggot seven miles to burn him.

Signed by the above justices and also by Walter Walssh, Richard Tracy, and Wm. Robynson.

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17 Aug. **531.** Patrick Barnewall to Cromwell.

Lamb. MS. 602, f. 116.

Has received letters from his friends about the journey of the Deputy, Treasurer, and others upon the Kevanaghs, from whom they have received pledges as well as from the Moris, O'Kerall, Fergownamyn, and O'Kenedy. They have also received O'Connor's money for the peace with him, to the value of 600 kine, for which he has no other liberty, but that himself, wife, and family may abide with Ossory and others of his friends till the King's pleasure is known, but he may not go to Offaly, where he lately dwelt. "If provision of inheritance be had," that country will be won for the King. The Commissioners should be instructed to "inhabit" as much land as possible. Baron Fyngles is dead, and will be much missed. The Commissioners last Thursday started for Holyhead, and will take shipping as soon as the wind serve. Westchester, 17 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "To the right honourable Sir Thomas Crumwell, knyght, lorde Cromwell, and lorde Preve Seale."

18 Aug. **532.** Sir Will. Gascoigne [of Cardington] to Cromwell.

R. O.

I thank you for the great pains it pleased to take with me this day. I beg your favour for the mayor of Northampton, the bearer, in his suit to the King for the town. On Monday I intend waiting on you. Cardyngton, Saturday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Mr. Gascoigne the xviii. of August.

18 Aug. **533.** Thomas Bishop of Ely to Cromwell.

R. O.

I have received your letter dated Ampthill the 11th inst. charging me with having "abridged" your nephew certain duties belonging to some offices he bought of Thos. Megges. I have used Master Megges and his affinity with as much kindness as their own uncle my predecessor did, and when I discovered untrue dealing, especially in Thos. Megges' office, in falsifying records to the disherison of my tenants, and taking away fines, &c., I only admonished him, but still paid his duties under protest, abridging nothing. Nevertheless he has always sought to do me displeasure, and when I was at London "now last" by the King's commandment, there assembled by his means 16 or 17 persons who came to my house and broke my gates and locks. Of this I complained to your Lordship, and "to set dissension in my top" he sold his offices to Master Richard, but without, I am sure, informing him of the truth of his patents. I told Master Richard he should have them of me, but not of him, for they were forfeit. To say the truth, what I most disliked was that Mr. Richard said Megges should be his deputy. Dodyngton, 18 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O.

2. "A copy of the bishop of Ely's letter."

To show my lord Privy Seal I am content that Mr. Gregory and Mr. Richard jointly have the offices and fees thereto belonging, reserving the

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nomination of under deputies and officers, because I will not have Megges or any of my adversaries keepers of my house, deer, or courts. (2.) That I should think it a kindness if his Lordship took it at my hands. (3.) That the turves, litter, oats, &c. allowed in his patent be converted into a money payment. (4.) Provision to be made for an orphan, who is injured by the grant of the patent to Megges, for it was a copyhold to one Carter.

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18 Aug. **534.** Walter Walsshe, Ric. Tracy, and Wm. Robynson to Cromwell.

R. O. Enclose depositions against one Dr. Smythe and Henry Horton. Have committed Horton to the common jail, but Smythe is departed to Oxford. Ask for instructions. 18 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 2. Information against Dr. Smythe, who on the 8 July, 29 Hen. VIII. in the parish church "of Saynt Larrance in Hestam" (Evesham ?), made a sermon, and at the beads prayed for the King and the "lady Jane late queen," for the abp. of York, bp. of Lincoln, "and for our most holy father bishop of London, a founder of the faith of Christ," for my lords of Hessam (Evesham), Halse, Wynchcomb, and Habynton, and for souls in purgatory. Witnesses—Richard Love and five others. *Signed:* Walter Walssh, Rychard Tracy, Wyll'm Robynson.

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18 Aug. **535.** Sir John Dudley and Sir G. Carew to Cromwell.

R. O. I have at length declared to the King the circumstances of our journey from the beginning. We are the heaviest men that ever bare lives to have done so little service in so long space. I have written to the King of the ship Mr. Carew is in. I know not how his Highness will credit it, but it is no feigned thing, for the masters will not go to sea with her again, the winter comes on so fast, and she takes in so much water. I reckon the Breton we have taken to be a slight merchant, for our Bordeaux mariners say "that much of the wines is merchants' of London;" but both money and wines are ready at the King's pleasure. Hampton, 18 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Aug. **536.** Tunstall to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends by bearer a patent of the stewardship of Howden, delayed in order to get a copy of Sir Robert Constable's patent, of which a minute was found by much searching. Would have found it long ago, but the chancery of Durham was spoiled where the records lay. Cromwell may appoint as officer and deputy whom he pleases, for it is a town of much resort, and was one of the first that stirred, because Aske dwelt near it. Has discharged Gervaise Cawod, who was receiver there, of all the offices he held of the bishop, and also Thomas Davy, under-bailey. Both were busy in the commotion. Boswell, sometime servant to my lord Cardinal, is chief bailey there, who will keep good rule. Laylam, 18 Aug.

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18 Aug. **537.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O. Affairs under his charge proceed yet in good sort. Has had three meetings with the Scots, where redress was made on both sides. The attemptates done in the earl of Cumberland's time are so many, especially by

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537. Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell—*cont.*

those of Bowkastell and the Waystland in England, and Ledesdale in Scotland, that he cannot yet have the bills from the earl's officers. Is to have a new meeting on Thursday the 30th. Lord Maxwell on Saturday and Monday last had before him the inhabitants of Ledysdaylle and gave them quick words, saying he would see redress done to the English. "I did afore that accordingly use John Musgrave for the inhabitants of Bewkasselldayle, and the Waysteland under the charge of Sir William Musgrave." The King of Scots crossed the Forth beyond Edinburgh last week—it is said to a fair woman there. The justices of assize, Mr. Jenens and Mr. Hynde, passed over the moor from Exham to lord Dacre's house at Nawerd, and have kept the assizes at Carlisle and Appleby. Little business hath been. The people in both shires are in good obedience, and have received to their great comfort the proclamation of pardon. The writer accompanied the justices. After some meetings with the Scotch for Ledesdale and to hear of the due obedience of Tynedale on the Middle Marches, will certify his opinion as desired. Wharton, 18 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[18]* Aug. **538.** Katharine Duchess of Suffolk to Lady ——.

Vesp. F. xiii. 80 b. B. M.

Thanks her for wine and a "lett dooge" she has sent her. My lord my husband desires to be recommended to you and my lord your husband, with whom I should be glad to be acquainted. My lord of Shrewsbury's house in Yorkshire, Saturday after Our Lady's Day, "the Sumpsonen."

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18 Aug. **539.** Ruy Fernandez to John III. of Portugal.

R. T. 154, No. 35. R. O.

As I have written to your Highness, the Dauphin and the Grand Master left for Picardy, and joined the camp, to succour St. Pol, which was taken by assault. The Burgundians then went to Montreuil, which, being a large town and insufficiently garrisoned, they utterly destroyed, and burnt it and all the country, without the French being able to prevent it. They then laid siege to Terouenne, where they were more than a month battering the town, but without giving assault, as the place was so strong. The Flemings had 30,000 men, of whom 14 or 15 were Germans, and 5,000 or 6,000 horse and 60 pieces of artillery. Truce was made 30 July for 10 months. The King remains with Hesdin, and may not fortify St. Pol.

The queen of Scotland is dead. The King makes great mourning, and all the land. The King has executed 8 or 10 persons, because in his absence here they conspired to bring into the kingdom the brother† of an earl who has married his (the King's) mother, and is in England a fugitive.

The king of England is sending hither a gentleman to visit the King in his illness, and to complain of the ships taken. He has despatched ships to guard the coast. The gentleman says the King does not wish to break with the French, but will order justice to be done, with which the people and the Council are not content, but they are so terrified by the past sins, that they dare not "abrir a mão." The Queen is pregnant, and will lie-in in November. Here they talk of marrying the Princess to the king of Scotland, but this gentleman says it will never be, the two nations are so hostile.

The Pope wrote to the King fully about the peace, urging him to send a person with sufficient powers to Rome, and that the Emperor would send another, and if he found any obstacle, he would declare against whoever was in fault. So he has sent to the King for aid against the Turk, and has sent a

* The exact day of the month depends upon the year, which is uncertain.

† Sir George Douglas.

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brief to summon the cardinals, and to intimate the prorogation of the Council. His ambassador charged with these matters could not have audience for more than a month and a half, and was obliged to declare his message to the card. of Lorraine and Mons. de Villandry, who held the rule while the Grand Master was away. They, after consulting the King, said Francis would write to his ambassador at Rome; and so he remains here still, and must have patience.

The King has given *congé* to the Turk who was here, and who has gone to embark at Marseilles. He sends his galleys with him, in which go the prince of Melfe (*sic*), the duke Dateyn (?), and the duke of Sonia (?), and many other Italians of the kingdom of Naples, and other lords who lived here in exile, who are going to the Turk to seek aid for the recovery of their lands.

The French are strengthened in Piedmont by 10,000 Germans of the duke of Würtemberg. Certain Spaniards under the marquis of Guasto have mutinied, &c. Nothing is known about the Turk's doings. Sends a book, lately printed here, not very likely to promote peace. Paris, 18 Aug. 1537.

Modern copy, pp. 7, from the archives of Torre do Tombo. Portuguese.

19 Aug. **540.** JOHN BUNOLT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends his servant, the bearer, over the sea, to visit Cromwell, with "such simple dainties" as he can find in these parts. Calais, 19 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal, &c. *Endd.:* The Secretary of Calais.

19 Aug. **541.** OUDART DU BIES to LORD LISLE.

R. O. As I have to send tomorrow 10,000 francs, as part of the ransom of Mons. de Villebon, provost of Paris, as far as the sluice on the confine of your lands and those of Burgundy, where Captain Thouars is to receive it, I beg you will, for greater security, send to St. Ynglevert four or five of your men to accompany 20 of mine, and five or six others who carry the said money. Boulogne, 19 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A Calais.

19 Aug. **542.** JEHAN DE TOVAR to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. Knowing your desire to gratify all noble persons, I hope that, at the request of the provost of Paris and myself, you will kindly order two or three horsemen to accompany some servants of the provost, bringing part of his ransom; along with whom will come some French merchants. I beg they may be accompanied surely into this town, or at least to Oye sluice. Gravelines Castle, 19 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

19 Aug. **543.** ANTHOINE BRUSSET to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Yesterday, on my return from Bruges, I found a letter of yours in the hands of my lieutenant, dated 7th inst., informing me that a gentleman named Baltazart van Graetz has given you a bay horse, and desiring me to let him pass. For your sake I do so willingly. As to the two horses which you write my lieutenant arrested in this town in my absence, they were, as I have several times written, arrested by night on the strand a league outside the harbour of this town. I am sorry that the other four horses did not remain with them, and their conductors also. I think they would have been a lawful prize, and I beg you to write no more about it. Gravelines, 19 Aug. '37. *Signed.*

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19 Aug. R. O. **544. Lord Leonard Grey to Cromwell.**

In favour of Robt. Barnewell, of Roostown, to be King's serjeant-at-law in case Patrick Barnewell be promoted to some high room, as he is well worthy. The man is said to be learned and honest, and is brother to the lord Chancellor here. Arbrakan, 19 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Aug. R. O. **545. Lead of Suppressed Monasteries.**

Essex.—Account of the lead of the priories of Dunmow, Tyltey, and Hennyngham Castle, molten and cast in sows, &c., by Will. Rogers and Will. Wylson, plumbers. At Tyltey, Wilson received, in the name of Thos. Erytage, priest, surveyor of the King's works, 40 fodders 107 lb. at one time, and on the 20th Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. 40 fodder, "cc. di. xiiij lb." leaving 31 fodder "xviij C. di" 3 qrs. still remaining.

Pp. 16. *Endd.:* The boke of leade for Essex.

20 Aug. R. O. **546. John Huttoft to Wriothesley.**

I am bound to give you (if I were not mortal) immortal thanks for your goodness. Of late I heard of the change of life of your natural son whom God (as I believe without need of our prayer) has taken to His mercy. Consoles him by reference to a custom of a people called Transes, in a region "confynant to the Thraces," where friends bewail, at the birth of a child, the miseries that it shall suffer in the world, and at a funeral rejoice that it is delivered from them. Gentle Mrs. Wriothesley is so wise that she will take it according to the comfort you sent to her. If it please you to hear our news lately brought from Venice, I will insert the words of Edmund Arvell, which follow:—

By letters freshly sent from Naples and Otranto it is certain that the Turk's navy of 170 galleys, 70 foists, and other vessels, 330 in all, passed Corfowe towards Valcona on the 10 July: it is thought the Turk will pass into Puglia. Andrea Doria had left Messina with 28 fast galleys to discover the Armata. The 20 galleys at Jenes departeth for Messina with others lately armed, in all 70 galleys and 60 or 70 ships. The French host in Pyemont was breaking up for lack of money and victuals; 300 Italians have deserted to the Emperor, and 700 more should follow. "The Pope (as they call him here) cometh to Bonony to flee the Turk." He should have constrained the French king to leave the Turk's league, and at least done all he could to help the Emperor to resist the enemies of the Christian religion; "but he is both French and Machometan, and it is pity that he liveth." "All this E. Harvell, the 20 of July."

Thus desiring your remembrance of my father's bills to my lord and master,* whom God preserve, and you and yours, and good Mr. Solemont with all the company. London, 20 August.

P.S.—Kept till 26th August for lack of a messenger. I desire your continual goodness towards my father, for, by certification that the unhappy Guidotti hath consigned certain wines to certain his peculiar creditors to whom my father is not bound, we have attached such wines "by that general word of my lord's letter." The wines were laden with money taken by exchange at 60 for 100.

Sir, we have 2 butts of malvesey for my lord and master, and desire to know where he would have them laid. If the *Castelin* had not, "by evil happe" unladen in Cadiz, there had been other wine.

My brother Cokerell saluteth you as also good Mr. Thomas. *Signed:* Tuus deditissimus J. Huttoftus.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* at the Court.

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0 Aug. **547.** NORFOLK to [CROMWELL].

R. O. "My very good lord" I desire you to write by this bearer to young Mawnesfeld or any one that has the learning of old Mawnesfeld to put my son's arm in joint. With this you shall receive certain warrants to be given at your pleasure. As soon as you can, send me, to Sheriff Hutton, good store of books printed of the "order lately taken by the Bishops." Kenninghall, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *At the foot of the page in another hand*: "Charleton King." *Not addressed. Endd.*

0 Aug. **548.** ROBERT SOUTHWELL to [CROMWELL].

R. O. We have thoroughly viewed the late Earl's* castles and lands in Cumberland and Northumberland, and hope most part of those in Yorkshire will be viewed soon after receipt of this. The chief cause of our tract there is the "gressoming" of the King's tenants in Cumberland due whenever a new lord succeeds; which perplexed us somewhat as we had no commission therein; but considering the expense it would be to send up other commissioners and the distance between the Court and Cockermouth, we have done it. Having examined the books of the gressom to the old Earl and the last, we have agreed with the tenants, augmenting what was too little and diminishing the overmuch. Hope we have not offended, and if the King please to remit the gressome after the assessment, it will gratify the tenants more than it would have done before, "and if his Grace's pleasure shall be to take it as his revenue, being moderately used as it is, it shall be as thankfully taken as refused." It amounts to 1,000 mks., the "third part of Egremont and six other towns within the same shire not by us intermeddled with, wherein the earl of Sussex and Sir Thos. Wharton hath several estates of inheritance saved them by an Act of Parliament" of which I send you a copy, with another book made for my remembrance. If we might have gressomed them also the sum would have reached 1,000*l.* Has ordered Sir Thos. Wharton to defer the gressoming of them to the King's pleasure be known. Sir Thomas would have "wrestyde" them high enough, which would have done more harm than good. We should also have gressomed the tenants in Northumberland and Yorkshire had not the Earl done so shortly before his death, and given them leases for 21 years. Divers of the poor men in these North parts wish to have the farms of the suppressed monasteries in fee farm. Sends a book which will show the benefit of them if any suit be made before his coming. Scarce one of them is inhabited according to the statute, but let out and sold to the utmost profit. Once informed the King of the profits of his farms both in the North and West, which he has since found true in the North. Cromwell knows how a bill was put up to him by Hall, the customer of Exeter, of the value of the lands suppressed and not suppressed in Devonshire, which greatly exceeded the value rated to the King, and how the writer, finding the King willing to give lord William the monastery of Barnstable at the rate of 200 mks., when by his book it appeared to be 300 mks., gave notice thereof, but found the King "so well willing to hear thereof, that he took small courage to wade further therein." Reminds Cromwell he has been serving in the confines of the realm where the tenants are bound by custom to furnish themselves with horse and armour at their own charges; but the King is far underpeopled of the number of men armed to serve in former times. Thanks Cromwell for admonishing him touching the survey of the earl of Northumberland's lands, though he thinks he is not blinded by affection. As to his goods, made the most diligent search in the castles of Cockermouth, Alnwick, Purdowe, Warkworth, Topclif, Leckonfield, &c., but could find nothing of value except chapel stuff, 200 almain rivetts at Warkworth, with as many bows, and

* The late Earl of Northumberland.

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400 halberds, &c. ready to be conveyed away, which he placed in Alnwick castle in charge of the abbot of Alnwick by indenture, with the keeping of the castle till the King's pleasure be known. Thinks he was a more meet person than the servants of Sir Ingram Percy, who remain there by Norfolk's commandment. The good stuff of the Earl's was thought to be at Topclif, but we could have no account of it, the officers being with your Lordship at London. The Scots have spoiled Tyndale and Riddesdale. Never saw a finer inheritance more blemished by the folly of the owner and untruth of his servants than these of the late Earl. If by recompense of those who have extraordinary charges it be reduced to the state it was in in the old Earl's time, it would be right meet for his Grace who is now owner; "for the honours and castles purporten such a majesty in themselves now being the King's as they are in manner as mirrors or glasses for the inhabitants 20 miles compass every way from them to look in and to direct themselves by." Wresyll castle, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

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2. Memoranda by Southwell.

R. O. For the abbey of Anwyk, set to the King at 180*l.* was there laid a chain in my hand worth 100*l.* to get the preferment thereof in farm for 500 mks. a year.

For the abbey of Hexam was offered me, to get it as the farmer now has it, 400*l.*

"For the preferment of Numister as Sir Oswald Wilthrop hath it," was offered me 300*l.* My lord, the abbot of Anwyk a near neighbour there told me it was worth 400*l.* a year; "and well assured am I that it is a profitable thing to Sir Oswald as he hath let it again."

Two gentlemen of substance of Yorkshire wished to have St. Agatha's for 1,000*l.* which lord Scrope had for 400*l.*

The farm of the demains of Rosedale, being but 7*l.*, was sold for 300 mks.: of Merten, but 28*l.*, for 260*l.*: of Ardene, but 8*l.* for 140*l.*: of Melsby, but 12*l.*, for 100 mks.

The demesnes of Nonnemonckton be clear to the farmer; rent paid to the King, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d*

The demesnes of Helaygh in farm of Sir Thomas Wharton at 23*l.* be clear to him as he has let them out 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Sir Ralph Elderker has a benefice for 15*l.* whereof he makes 50*l.*, and so would Beckewith the receiver of Yorkshire give, who informed me of much of this, hearing the farmers would sue to have their farms in fee farm.

There are others I heard not of; but I inform your Lordship as I think you must be privy to the suit of such as intend to sue for the inheritance of them.

Mem.—There are no woods for building in the suppressed houses of Yorkshire, but at Merton, Helaige, Synnyngthwat, Holdenprise, and Draxe.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* "Mr. Ro. Southwell's remembrances." *In the hand of Sowthwell's clerk.*

20 Aug. **549.** ROBERT SOWTHWELL to [CROMWELL].

R. O. I thank your lordship as I perceive by your letters that you have commended to the King my service at Furnes. I have too little to serve his Grace, who may amend this, and the rather by your assistance. If you wish to know more the bearer can inform you, "who was sent by me one day by the licence of the Warden into Scotland to a day of merche to see the order there."

I saw a child of my lady your daughter's at Wylberffosse nunnery, Yorksh., who was in good health at the writing of this.

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20 Aug. **550.** SIR RICHARD GRAYNFFELD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Could hardly deny Cromwell anything upon such promise as he has made of his friendship in the matter between Mr. Surveyor and himself. Is nevertheless in debt by the charges he has sustained these 6 or 7 years. The marriage of lady Lisle's sister, his own sister, and his eldest daughter cost him 700 mks. His attendance in Parliament for five years cost him 500 mks., and the high marshalship of this town, with the cost of attaining it, 800 or 900 marks, besides payment of his father's debts and bequests, 1,200 mks. and the keeping of house, &c. Could have had 40*l.* jointure by marrying this maiden to Tregien's son and heir; which he does not crave of Mr. Surveyor, but will for Cromwell's sake take Mr. Surveyor for his friend, and if he bring the writer's daughter to his house, will receive her and marry her out of it, and, when he can do so with ease, give him 100 mks. Calais, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Aug. **551.** O'DONELL to LORD LEONARD GREY.

R. O. St. P. II. 472. Learns that the Deputy and Council think him untrue to the King. His father kept a woman, against God's laws, who daily instigated his father against him and procured his father to complain of him to the King and Council; all this because he would she should avoid his father's company as the Church and the friars counselled him to do. For his own safety, did what he could against his father and nothing against the King. Refers to Robt. à Wintre, and to John Capes and Benet Jay, and their company of Bristol who use these parts. Now his father is dead and he has the country, will do as good service as ever his father did. The lords of the West and South of Ireland have asked him to take their part and cause O'Neil to do the same. Has refused utterly. Begs him to inform the King of this letter and have his gracious answer. Dongall, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Deputy. *Endd. Sealed.*

20 Aug. **552.** MICHAEL THROKEMERTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Cromwell says that he looked for his return from Rome long before this, but it depended most on him to whom he was sent, and partly on Cromwell's answers to his letters, which he looked for on arriving at Paris, and thence to have been despatched by "this man."* Thought Cromwell's silence a consent to his remaining with him to whom he was sent till further orders. But considering now that the King takes him for a worse rebel than either he or the writer would have thought at his leaving Rome, thought it expedient to declare more at large the cause of his stay. First at Paris, seeing Cromwell's letters did not come, required of him (Pole) his despatch according to his promise at Rome, in hopes whereof he accompanied him to Paris. He answered that as Throkmerton had no reply from Cromwell, it seemed he "passed not greatly" on his return; "and immediately asked me whether I thought it not a convenient time for him to send me now without any letters of credence to the King," who took him (Pole) for so grievous a rebel, and took all that he did, said, or wrote to the contrary. He therefore delayed Throkmerton's despatch. On arriving at Cambray, seeing himself in great danger through the King's procurement, he thought it neither time nor place to commune further about it. Waited therefore for Cromwell's letters and his answer. Hopes he will think it for the best, for soon after his arrival here, he (Pole) began more than ever to declare the effect of his legation. He said that reserving the difference of the opinion concerning

* His master Pole, whose name he studiously suppresses throughout the letter.

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the unity of the Church, in which he would never change, there was no one who favoured more the King's true honour and wealth, nor could do more for the furtherance thereof than he intended to do. He showed what occasions he had to hinder it if he had been so minded. When he departed they urged him violently to leave the book in the Pope's hands, who would have published it. They were not satisfied when he said it might irritate the King and be hurtful to the cause if at any time he went about reconciliation. They have deferred it till he comes back and the censures likewise, of which he has now again refused the exercise. He never meant to treat with the princes, to whom his legacy is directed, but what should be most for the King's honour if he at all inclined to that part that other princes do touching the unity of the Church; that it might seem most to come by the request of other princes. He said he did this the more on account of the violence people had used of late. Therefore he desired the bishop of Verona to accompany him, as the meetest instrument, from his favour with both Kings and his wisdom. He thought by this way the King, with his most honour and surety, and wealth of his country, might have been reconciled to all parties, and for this he was now taken as a rebel. In conclusion, he said that he feared lest at last, the King continuing his persecution in publishing him as a rebel to all princes, he should be constrained to declare himself what a rebel he is and for what causes. For his own part, if he sought honour he would desire no more than to make it openly known after what fashion he rebels against his Grace.

Tells Cromwell this that he may see what small hope or cause he had of any despatch, but much more occasion to tarry his time to be more resolute of his mind than suddenly to depart without answer or anything of moment. Trusts Cromwell will perceive by the following that Throkemerton was not deceived in his opinion. Though he had never so many spies in these parts, is sure he can have no true knowledge of common matters here, much less secret matters. First, "this man" is revoked again into Italy, against the General Council which is appointed for Nov. 1.

The Pope intends to proclaim an indulgence for all who pray for the King and the return of England to the unity of the Church (like that for the deliverance of Christendom from the Turk), rehearsing what charitable means have been used to that intent; which taking no effect, they intend to describe many of the King's acts, for their justification, and at his (Pole's) return, to put the book in print if he will consent, "as it will be hard for him to deny for the great confidence they have therein, more than in all the rest, for the virtuous life and other great qualities they have conceived of the writer thereof."

Thought it best to advertise Cromwell thereof, considering the short departure of "this man," on whose return hangs both the devulgating of the censures, putting forth his book, and sending new ambassadors to Christian princes if he refuse to take on him to commend to them the cause of England. Assures Cromwell that his tarrying with Pole may stand him in no little stead. Is greatly astonished, as are many others, at the diligent procurement on the King's behalf for "this man's" ruin. It daily comes to his knowledge many ways, and yet he continues in the same love and constant mind to the King's honour and wealth that he has hitherto showed, complying with no man's requests that might put the King to any dishonour, hindrance, or trouble. If his mind had been otherwise, it would have been hard to have cloaked it at this time. This makes men the more to marvel, to see the King bent rather on his ruin than on a reconciliation, though it were very hard to be done, the cause standing as it doth.

Cromwell can now consider what is best to be done. Supposes Cromwell's coming to speak with him is hopeless. Cannot think of any other person

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who would help. Has partly showed his mind to Master Hutton. Thinks the redressing of these matters requires a greater prudence and more pregnant wit than his own. Remits it therefore to Cromwell's prudence and wisdom. Trusts he now sees that Throgmorton's tarrying was more profitable than his returning could have been. If Cromwell writes he had better send the letter to Hutton. Lege, 20 Aug. 1537.

P.S.—When he wrote these letters he thought this man's departure would have been longer delayed. Now he departs in three or four days. Had no certain knowledge nor any trustworthy messenger to Hutton.

Hol., pp. 5. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

Cleop. E. vi. 372. B. M.

2. Copy of the preceding.
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20 Aug. **553.** MICHAEL THROKEMERTON to HUTTON.

R. O.

Would have liked to come himself and show Hutton the cause of his sending the enclosed letters to my lord Privy Seal, but the suspicious time will not suffer it. Desires credence for his kinsman, the bearer, in whom he has full trust. He will explain among other things the mention of Hutton in the letters, which he sends open. Lege, 20 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Master Hutton, agent for the King's noble grace of England [at] Antwerp. *Endd.*

20 Aug. **554.** CHARLES V. to BARNARDO ARIETE.

Add. MS. 28,589 f. 351. B. M.

Note of the contents of the minute of the Emperor's letter from Monçon, 20 Aug. 1537, to Bernardo Ariete. Similar letters were sent to Cosmo de Medicis, Aless. Vitello, Pyrrho Colonna, Francesco Sarmiento, and Card. Cibo.

Note of documents at Simancas, p. 1.

21 Aug. **555.** JOHN HUSEE to [LORD LISLE].

R. O.

Wrote by Henbury's man of the signing of his bill. Your Lordship has the gift in fee simple, and I have no doubt I shall make the arrangement that you shall have a year and a half's rent at Michaelmas. My lord Privy Seal says that if you attempt to sell it the King will never be good lord to you, as it is his gift. I assured him you never would. Thinks he should thank my lord Privy Seal. Mr. Surveyor advises you to send some loving letter to Wriothesley. If he had some present worth 40*l.* it should be well bestowed. He stands in place where he can please or displease. Has been advised to go to the Chancellor of the Augmentations with Lisle's patent. Mr. Fowler has with great difficulty lent 20*l.* I have given him a bill for it, for otherwise he would not advance it. Charged for your patent for the Privy Seal, &c., 14*l.*, and what for the Augmentations God knoweth. Wriothesley's clerk must be rewarded with 20*s.* It is not good to give any more for the money he has received. Sent him a letter from my lord Marquis to Mr. Ponings for venison for Lisle. He thanks you for the hawk, "but she died in the mew, or she were full nywde (mewed?)." He says he would like another; a partridge and pye. He does not care whether it be "sawre" and mewed, or a falcon. My lord Admiral thanks you for the seal. He will send you some venison. I kept the seal here at Wapping five weeks or more, for none of his men would receive her. She cost me some days 6*d.* in fish, and yet she had not dined. Could not speak with my lord Admiral till the King came to Grafton; when he said he could not keep the seal, but desired me on my return to London to kill it, and deliver it to his man

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Osborne, and cause him to bake it and send it to his wife, which I have done. I see he will keep nothing that puts him to cost. He likes Ralph Rygsby very well. He is not satisfied with his division, but wants the whole forest, and will turn Russell out. I told him the whole belonged to you, and that what the lord Montague held was by your sufferance. This must be looked to. My lord Privy Seal is pleased that you have so gently handled Mr. Surveyor and his new wife. He looks daily for an answer to his letter concerning Mr. Marshal. He did not like the letter brought by his man Olyver. When you know the last of Mr. Marshal's mind, send your answer to my lord Privy Seal. I will let you know the contents of Mr. Marshal's letter. Nothing can be said or done against you, but it is known. The King has pardoned Jas. Crane. Touching any such priests as shall be brought back to you by good Mr. Commissary, let them remain in prison, for it is not fit you should be charged with their costs. Will learn my lord Privy Seal's mind touching their punishment. The abbot of Westminster is sick. I wish he had a tun of wine and the cask in his belly. Huntley will give you for the 12 acres their full worth, even if it should be proved that they went above 2*s.* the acre. Would not like him to lose anything of the accustomed rent. You need not fear my lord Comptroller's malice, because he was not admitted mayor. Is glad of Mr. Porter's coming. "As for the death of the man with the great nose,* he dieth oft, but he is not minded to be buried." As for the banding of my lord Comptroller, Mr. Wingfield, the marshal and under-marshal against you, they shall win nothing but rebuke. You and my lady may live without their help, even if the marshal and his wife refuse their duty. Will prevent West and his son's purpose. John Doningcourt has brought Mr. Richard's horse. Chr. Villers is dead. Sir John Dauncy, Sir John Villers, and one Wylkocks are his executors. I will procure a sight of the will. Spoke with Crowder his man, who says he left you 5 marks and a salt, and if you had been here he thinks you would have had a great part of his master's substance, for he loved you better than anybody else. The bishops' books are printing, and I think will be out by Michaelmas. On Sunday next my lord Privy Seal and my lord Beauchamp will be stalled at Windsor. Will send other news by Doningcourt. St. Katharine's, 21 Aug.

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21 Aug. 556. HARRY HUTTOFT to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Hampton, 21 August 1537.—I thank you for my relief and comfort always at great need. On Saturday I received my lord Admiral's letter with two of your lordship's to be forwarded to Sir John Dudley, who arrived with the rest of the King's ships, within the Needles on Saturday afternoon. I sent a boat to him with your lordship's letter. He has since remained for lack of wind but will depart with the first for London. On Thursday se'nnight I had a ship coming from Westchester towards the Bay, which was boarded at Scilly by 2 shallops with Bretons and robbed of all they had on board to the value of 100*l.* The same ship, as I informed your lordship, was robbed by Spaniards in May last going to Bordeaux and last summer the men of Dieppe took a hoy of mine laden with wheat from Bordeaux whereby I lost above 100 marks' value, for which I beg you will get me recompense. A year ago before the departure of Anthony Guydott a bargain was made between him and Barnard de Priole for 150 butts of malmsey to be delivered to Guydott. The ship has been 15 months in coming but is now arrived in Bristol, and meanwhile Priole and his company are broken and fled the realm. He is indebted for the custom of wools

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passed in Hampton last year by virtue of your lordship's letter, 210*l.*, and meanwhile, to defraud their creditors, they have changed both the lading and consigning of the goods, as those of a merchant in Flanders. This has given me much trouble, for there were consigned to the said Priole over 22 butts of malmsey and 37 great butts of "reiss of corans" which they will not acknowledge. I have accordingly sent to Bristol to arrest the ship both for the King's custom and for his bargain. It would be well that your lordship wrote to the mayor and to your deputy recorder of Bristol to have a right determination of the matter. The ship for malmsey for which I had your lordship's letter is arrived in safety, but Castlyn's ship is lost in Cadiz, wherein was the muscadel laden for your lordship. I will send you some of the malmseys now arrived. I beg you will remember the two bills I delivered at my departure, the one for money paid for the custom-house and the other for a licence.

Hol., pp. 3. *Endd.*

21 Aug. **557.** Simon Heynes to Cromwell.

R. O. On my arrival here I enquired of my brethren in the chapter house for the injunctions left by the King's visitors, in order to see them put in execution. No one present knew who had them, and "if I had them (it was said) that they impo[r]ted nothing else but that we should do as we have done in times past, and live after the old fashion." Some supposed that Dr. Brerwood hath a copy, but as yet I can get no knowledge of them. I beg your lordship therefore to send me such injunctions, signed with your own hand, as you would have kept by this cathedral church and other like, and I will see them executed within this "closs." I like the people of this town very well, but, as far as I have yet seen, the priests of this country are a strange kind, very few of them well persuaded or anything learned. I thank your lordship for the King's gracious letters to the chapter in my favour for the fruits of the residence of my prebend here, because I have compounded with the King's officers both for the corps of the prebend and for the residence. The canons have deferred their answer till St. Matthew's day, but, without your continued favour to me, I have small hope that they will do as the King desires: hitherto their answer is that I shall have the fruits of the vacation at 4*l.* a year and no more, but I beg you will not take this for their resolute answer. Exeter, 21 August.

You commanded the provincial of the Grey friars to take one John Arthur, friar, and bring him up to you. He is this day taken by one called Cardemaker and delivered to the mayor till the pleasure be known of Sir Thos. Denyse, recorder of the city. "This is a perilous country, for God's love let the King's grace look to it in time."

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 22 Aug.

21 Aug. **558.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter about the answer to what you had written to La Rochepot, which I sent him immediately by post, and have not yet had an answer. As soon as it comes I will send it to you. Boulogne, 21 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

21 Aug. **559.** Card. Pole to Card. Contarini.

Poli Epp. II. 88. Although as often as I look at the state of England, that is, at those now in power (who seem so odious to all classes, for their continual slaughter and spoliation of churches and faith kept to none, that nothing can be weaker than their state, should there only be one to give the least impulse, which I

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am convinced cannot longer be wanting, both because of one* near at hand who has new and just causes of enmity, and by reason of the number of fugitives who are with him) it grieves me to be torn away from hence, where I could be present in time on every opportunity for the utility of the Church if anything should happen ; yet when the vicar of Christ commands me to return, I obey his command rather than my own will. Comes therefore very readily, although the malice of the adversaries makes the safety of the journey very doubtful. The card. of Liege, however, who has now some months entertained them with such liberality, will provide as much as possible against treachery (*laqueos*) and has been three days consulting with the guides about the way. To-morrow they start. Liege, 21 Aug. 1537.

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22 Aug. **560.** Elizabeth Hutton to Wriothesley.

R. O. London, 22 Aug. 1537.—Thanks him for his letter sent by her servant William, and for his friendship to her husband. Is willing to dwell with her husband beyond sea, but the house for which she made suit is "easily rented." Her brother Dean will occupy the warehouses belonging to it, with such goods as he shall buy and sell without keeping the shop open. The rest is a fair room which Master Dean will reserve for her and her husband in case he be sent for at any time. In this and in the matter you wrote of, in the letter I received at Calais, I shall follow your pleasure. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

22 Aug. **561.** Loys Ferrers, Abbot, and the Convent of Wymondham to Cromwell.

R. O. Have received his letter desiring them to grant a lease of the parsonage and lordship of Happisburge to Wm. Clifton. There is nothing that he can demand but they will be ready to accomplish, unless it be against the benefit of their monastery, as this should be greatly. This lordship was never let. They get many beneficial things thence, as wreck, and fish. They have no other pasture for their sheep, whereby they maintain hospitality according to the King's injunctions. As to the parsonage, Mistress Litell-prowe and Hen. Fuller, alderman of Norwich, have it by indenture for 15 years. But if they will surrender their lease, the man for whom he writes shall have a new grant. Wyndham, 22 Aug. *Signed by the abbot and by* Thos. Thaxted, cellarer, Thos. Lynne, sub-prior, John Harlystun, third prior, Ric. Chambryge, sub-chanter, Edw. Saame (?), precentor, Robt. Colchester, sexton, John Wyndham, John Hoxton, Robt. Westwayd.

In the abbot's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.:* The lord Cromwell.

22 Aug. **562.** Wm. Stapilton to Cromwell.

[R. O. The King has granted the wardship of my nephew Robt. Stapilton to Sir Oswald Wilstrope, as appears by a letter from Mr. Pawlet, master of the wards, to Copyndale, his Grace's feodary of Yorkshire, for seizure and delivery of the same ; which letter, though my nephew was of full age, was obeyed in every point. Inconveniences are like to ensue as the duke of Norfolk is forth of the country and there have been grudges between the two houses, being nigh neighbours. Please let the trial of his age be committed to the duke of Norfolk or to a commission. Wighell, 22 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir William Stapulton. *Sealed.*

* The king of Scots.

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22 Aug. **563.** Sir John Dudley, Sir Geo. Carew, and Will. Nicolson to Henry VIII.

R. O. This day, the 21st, while repairing home in your Highness' ships we met with two Breton ships before St. Helen's lying in wait for two ships of Cornwall that were within Porchemouthe haven laden with tin to the value of 3,000*l.* When they saw us under sail they "made in with Porchemouthe," where we boarded and took them. Describe the ships. Will bring them to the Thames. Have no doubt they are very pirates. From the Isle of Wight, 22 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

22 Aug. **564.** [Lord Lisle] to my Lord Admiral.

R. O. Since my last letters in favour of John Bradfyld for the office of serjeant-royal in co. Guisnes, I have called to mind a commission that was directed to me and others of the Council here to try a variance between Henry Palmer, bailly, and the freemen of Guisnes, on the one part, and a servant of my lord Chamberlain who claimed the said office, on the other. It was then determined that the appointment of the said serjeant-royal is incident to the offices of the bailly and freemen; of which notice was sent to my lord Privy Seal. Hereupon the servant of my lord Chamberlain was expelled and another put in his place. If the bailly and freemen have no longer the same power, I wish you would prefer Bradfyld before Barnard Grete. Calais, 22 Aug.

P. 1. *Endd:* A copy of a letter to my lord Admiral.

22 Aug. **565.** Guillaume le Gras to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Excuses himself for not having written in answer to the letters from lord and lady Lisle on account of his absence from Paris.

Master James is in good health. He has learned to dance, to sing, and to write and can now study a little. He goes to college, and I think will learn Latin, if you will let him remain. I desire to know your intention on that subject. I think he will write to you by the bearer. I do not write to my Lady as she cannot read French. Paris, 22 Aug. 1537.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

22 Aug. **566.** The Abbot of Arbroath to James V.

Add. MS. 19,401 f. 34. B. M. Came to Dover the 22nd Aug. and hopes to cross to Boulogne tomorrow and make all haste to the King, James' father, at Fontainebleau. Surprised at the news James sent by Alexander Gordon's servant that the tailor had put away great part of the gear in his charge.

The king of England was nothing contented that your Grace should show yourself so affected to the King your father; but both he and his Council will have you in greater estimation, and I wot the king of France will think you have done your part. M. de Limoges, who is here with me, sends humble commendations and begs favour for the bearer, who was long in Dunbar. Douvre, 22 Aug. *Signed* "Arbroht."

P. 1. *Add.*

23 Aug. **567.** Richard Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O. Asks for the lease of the manor of Wytheham, parcel of Barkele's lands, which lord Hussey had. The lease is now in custody of the bearer, Percival Cresswell, and Master Controller has written for it. Has the wardship and marriage of the said Barkeley, whom he designs for one of his daughters. The said manor is one of the head houses of the Barkeleys. Will give as much for it as any other; and begs Cromwell to stay it till his return from the North. The bearer has many children. London 23 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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23 Aug. **568.** Ralph Leyche to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received your several letters to the dean of Lincoln, Sir Henry Sacheverell, and me, for which I thank you, and have sent on the two former. I enclose the value of such lands of mine as Sir Henry Sacheverell has entered into, by force of the "said" writ, in Derbyshire and Staffordshire, in all 58*l.* 4*d.*, and have ordered the tenants to pay the "foresaid sums," after the feast of St. Martin next, to any one you shall appoint. I beg your favour. If you knew how Sir Henry has used me and my poor tenants in taking our hay, corn, wool, and lambs, and rents to more than 100*l.*, you would not be pleased; dread of the King's displeasure and yours has made us submit. London, this eve of St Bartholomew.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Aug. **569.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I have received your sundry letters, much to my discomfort that your ladyship should bewail so needlessly as I trust you do. You are not the first woman of honour that has overshot or mistaken your time, but I trust you will yet speed well, as you have done in times past; and though I admit it might chance otherwise, you should not take it so earnestly. I hear you grieve inordinately. I pray you show yourself that confidence with which you were wont to inspire others. There is a woman who took her rights and reckoned to be delivered before Whitsuntide, who was delivered of a daughter within these six days; so I beg you not to despair. I have seen Horne's book discharged. It appeared he has never paid before. You need not doubt my lady Sussex will be content to forbear her stuff and my lady Rutland also, who is now come to Court again. Your daughters may now come when you please. I will be at Court tomorrow and speak with my lady Rutland and lady Sussex. Your gentlewoman I am sure will be always ready. I am glad you are at a point with Campyon. Mr. Popley is well amended and says he will remember your weir. I have spoken to Mr. Surveyor therein. As to St. Lawrence eve you shall know more next year, but all the Court ate fish on his eve, though divers in the realm ate flesh. As to Mr. Surveyor, "I think the parties will be conjured or else they will repent." It is shameful to them that they will do nothing at your request, considering how good you have been to them. I have sought Mr. Treasurer twice about the 20*l.* but could not speak with him. I have already borrowed of him 20*l.* for the despatch of my Lord's long suit. The bill is now signed with much difficulty. I think he will fulfil your ladyship's request. There is no fear of my lady Sussex and my lady Rutland being displeased. I will see Sir William at my return from Court, and will write to you by Dunning-court. St. Katharine's 23 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

23 Aug. **570.** William Popley to Cromwell.

R. O. Is well recovered from his ague, but yet feels some pain in his head. Because the doctors advise a certain rule and diet for a season, desires licence to go and see his own country. Sends certain letters; one from Sir Harry Long desiring Cromwell to write to Dr. London for 2 manumissions, "which he saith he promised him;" another for two poor folk, to Sir William Feldyng, Sir Walter Smyth, Simon Mountford, and John Waldive, to examine a matter between the prior of Coventry and them. Also a relaxation of injunctions for the prioress of Ambresbury; Popley's fellow Carleton shall declare the matter. Is the bolder to write because he has a sister there who thinks he might prefer her lady's suits. Thanks for the answer by Mr. Price concerning Popley's communication with Mr. Pope, wherein he has done nothing. Hampsted, 23 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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23 Aug. **571.** CANTERBURY.

R. O. Assessment of the ward of Newyngate in Canterbury by Jas. Vidyan, John Remysshe and Jerome Oxenbrege, 23 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., for payment of 8*l.* 18½*d.*, and for the "owtreyes" 20*s.*, for a whole fifteenth granted to the King 26 Hen. VIII. and due at All Saints 1537.

A list of 79 names with the amount assessed upon each person. Total 9*l.* 2*s.*

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23 Aug. **572.** DOMP. THOMAS LONDON to CROMWELL.

R. O. The late deposed abbot of Wardon, father Emery, on Tuesday last coming from the Court, declared to me it was your pleasure I should give place to him, and demanded the keys of the abbacy of Wardon. I refused as he showed no authority. I beg, as I am occupied with the affairs of the abbey and cannot attend upon you, to know your pleasure by the bearer, a brother of the house, to whom give credence. 23 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

23 Aug. **573.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. On Wednesday next I intend to wait upon your lordship at Calais for matters touching Mr. High-Marshal, Rob. Whetehill, and my lady his mother, and also for matters between Adrian Douggon and Thos. Prestwiche *alias* Sandwiche, on which your lordship and I are commissioners with others, as our commission lasts only till Michaelmas. Guisnes, 23 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

24 Aug. **574.** RICHARD TOWRIS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. The town clerk that was with you at Calais has gone to Brussels, and I have not yet delivered your letters. Please to write to the "boroomaster," certifying that the ship and her apparel is Sir John Dudley's, and he has promised to make delivery of the ship's cargo and the merchandise as Englishmen's. The captain of Gravelines made me good cheer. The ship is laden by John Davy servant to Mr. Forman of London. Mr. Bakon of London also has merchandise stopped in a ship of Hastings. Please to write for them both. Screven heard this day that the boroughmaster could demand nothing but sureties. 24 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

2. RICHARD TOWRYS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. If he will make three certificates and send them to Antwerp to John Peytwell he will receive a gown of fine taffeta. Without the gates of Calais.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

25 Aug. **575.** [CROMWELL to the IRISH COMMISSIONERS.]

The lord Deputy and Council have written to me to move the King in favour of Ric. Aylmer to be King's serjeant in county Kildare. The King wishes you to admit him and, with the advice of the Deputy and Council, appoint him a reasonable fee. Windsor, 25 Aug. 29 Henry VIII.

P. 1. (*See* No. 389, VIII.)

[25 Aug.?] **576.** JOHN GOSTWYK to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have remained here, as you commanded, all this week to set Jas. Hill at liberty, and have daily sent to Foxley's house, but I suppose he purposely absents himself to avoid coming to an agreement with him. I send an account of the receipt of the Tenth for last year and the present. You will see how much they vary, but I hope to receive arrears next term. I thank you for your goodness to the poor monk of Warden. I beseech you write me a letter blaming me for lending his Grace's money, that I may

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show it as I am so importuned. Ralph Alen begs to have the King's letter, that he be not chosen the other sheriff, "for the common voice is fully bent to have him." If it stand with your pleasure, Ric. Gressham had better be chosen mayor this year, as his brother* is chosen sheriff. A like case has not been seen before of two brothers, "and as good for him to be mayor this year as the next year." People daily call on me for arrears due to them on the account of the Great Wardrobe, especially Addington's wife for money due last Michaelmas. Sir Edw. Nevell desires money for his retinue, but I find he is indebted to the King 150*l.* for arrears of the farm of the parsonage of Yalding, belonging to the late priory of Tonbridge; so he may have the said 100*l.* for his charges. This day I leave for my poor house at Willington, where I trust to see you, leaving Rob. Lorde and John Rok, my clerks, in my place. *Signed.*

P.S.—This present Saturday at 5 p.m. Sir Ric. Tempest died,† leaving his wife and Sir Thos. Tempest, his son, executors. He willed his heart to be taken out of his body and carried to his own country, to be buried in the place he had prepared for his corpse and his wife to lie in. Sir Thomas came to this city on Wednesday, and would gladly wait on you, but that those who have been in this city are forbidden the Court. London, Saturday night. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Penultimo Julii.‡

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577. WILLIAM GONSON to CROMWELL.

Has received Cromwell's letter written yesterday at Windsor, with one to Mr. Gostwick or, in his absence, to Robert Lord, to whom the writer is to repair to receive money for the wages and expenses of the King's ships brought by Sir John Dudley into the Thames. Neither Dudley nor the ships have yet come, but as soon as they arrive he will discharge them and re-deliver the ordnance and munitions to the proper officers. Has already paid for the King's ships 1,000*l.*, and owes about 300*l.* Depfordestronde, 25 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Aug. R. O. S. P. I. 562.

578. EDWARD BP. OF HEREFORD to CROMWELL.

The printing of our book cannot be finished before Tuesday next. It grows to a greater quantity than I showed you at first. I long for the King to see it. I have lain out of London myself three weeks, and most of my servants have lain at Ruyslipp 10 weeks. If permitted to return to Court, I would gladly come on Monday or Tuesday and bring that book with me. Popler, 25 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Aug. Titus. B. I. 348. B. M.

579. NICHOLAS WILSON to CROMWELL.

Is going to visit the benefice§ which the King has granted him at Cromwell's desire, and his duty requires that he should see the King and him; but as his affairs prevent his being long absent from London, fears that while desiring to be dutiful, he may cause displeasure. Will do as Cromwell orders. Knows that he would not have intercourse with any from whom he would contract danger, but still does not wish to trust his own judgment in such an important matter. Asks Cromwell to obtain for him "bestiola

* John Gresham.

† Sir Ric. Tempest died on the 20th August 1537, according to Inq. p.m. 29 Hen. VIII. No. 11. But the 20th Aug. 1537 was a Monday. Sir Thomas Tempest, his son and heir was over 40 years of age. As the inquisition gives the date of Sir Richard's death in words, it is possible that one word is accidentally omitted, and that we ought to read "obiit vicesimo *quinto* die Augusti," which would agree with Saturday.

‡ Perhaps a reference to some other letter once tied up with this.

§ Wimborne Minster, Dorset. *See* Grants in June, No. 5.

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aliqua" from one of the royal parks near his benefice that he may give a dinner to his parishioners and friends. Steynes, 25 Aug.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Ill^mo atque honorandiss. domino meo, D. Thomæ Crumwello, Wynsorræ. *Endd.*

[25] Aug. **580.** T. Earl of Wiltshire to Cromwell.

Vesp. F. xiii. 100. B. M.

According to your letter I send you my collar with my best George, and request that it may be delivered when done with to Mr. Thornham, my chaplain, at Darby Place, London. From Hever, this Saturday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* my lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* August.

26 Aug. **581.** Cromwell, K.G.

Anstis' Order of the Garter, ii. 408.

Notice of the installation of Cromwell as a knight of the Garter at Windsor, Sunday, 26 Aug. 1537. Present, the Marquis of Exeter as the King's deputy, the earls of Sussex and Rutland, with the lord Admiral and Sir Nich. Carew.

26 Aug. **582.** Thomas Earl of Rutland to Cromwell.

R. O.

Mr. Skevington* has desired me to write in his favour for wages due to him and his company in the castle of Nottingham, as appears by his book which the bearer has with him. My poor house of Belver, 26 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **583.** Sir Roger Chomley to Cromwell.

R. O.

Was desired by Cromwell when he parted with him at Master Weston's place beside Guildford to make answer to the extortions laid to his charge. Was commanded by Norfolk to send his son with 10 tall men to Carlisle and Newcastle. Sent accordingly with him 7 of his household and 3 of the liberty of three townships, which townships gave their men 19*s.* 4*d.* amongst them till they came to receive the King's wages. Sir Ralph Eure, junior, procured 4 or 5 light fellows to complain of him to my lord's Grace, saying he had taken money to his own use, and my Lord showed another bill put in by the same Sir Ralph accusing him of extortion from the country to the extent of 2,000*l.* This my Lord showed to Mr. Pollard. Has been 43 years officer and offers to forfeit his head and lands if it can be proved. Rousby, 26 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

26 Aug. **584.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

I have received your letter stating that you have spoken to the parties opposed to Rochepot's men, to suspend the suit till the arrival of an answer to the letter which [you have] written to him. I thank you for this and send one of my men to Rochepot to obtain it. Boulogne, 26 August. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

26 Aug. **585.** Denmark.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger, iv. 61.

"Instructiones de acceptis triennii indutiis cum Cæsareanis et de fœdere inter reges adjungendo, destinatæ ad Anglum sed redditæ non sunt."

Instructions for Peter Suavenius to declare how (details given) after three years of war Christian has obtained peaceful possession of Denmark and Norway, and to represent to the king of England the immoderate power of the Emperor, and to express Christian's readiness to enter into a league with England and France. Copenhagen, 26 Aug. 1537.

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* Leonard Skevington?

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585. DENMARK.—*cont.*

Danish Archives. 2. Credentials of the same date addressed to king Henry, "Crumwell" and the duke of Norfolk.

Endd.: "Redditæ non sunt."

See Report xlv. of Dep. Keeper of Public Records, App. ii. 18.

27 Aug. 586. HENRY KNYVETT to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Requests him to remind my lord* of two matters of the bishop of Winchester's, of which he should have answer by next letters. When last at Court between Myssylden and Windsor, the writer moved them both to my Lord, who promised that an answer would be sent by next post to his satisfaction. 1. The one is a loan of 2,000*l.* ready money which the bishop desires of the King, to be repaid by 500 mks. a year under good securities, the bishop being content to serve without diets meanwhile. But of this my Lord said it was not meet to speak to the King; and he hoped to obtain for the bishop what he wanted otherwise. 2. The bishop wishes an answer how long he shall stay where he is, even though it be not decided when he shall return home. Sutton, 27 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd. Begins:* "Maister Writhsley."

27 Aug. 587. WALTER WALSSHE, HUMFREY BURNEFORD, and WM. ROBYNSON *alias* MARSARE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have examined the causes within written, according to their commission, and committed the party to ward. Worcester, 27 Aug. *Signed.*

P 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Walter Walche for examination of one Evans (*sic*).

ii. The saying of the witnesses against Thos. Emans, servant to Mr. Evans. That he said, leaning upon Roger Crompe's shoulder, "Lady, art thou stripped now? I have seen the day that as clean men hath been stripped at a pair of gallows as were they that stripped thee." Then he entered the chapel, said his prayers, and kissed the image, and turned to the people, and said "Ye that be disposed to offer, the figure is no worse than it was before, and the lucre and profit of this town is decayed through this." Presten, the keeper of Our Lady, saith that he heard Thomas Emans say to the people, "This lady is now stripped, I trust to see the day that they shall be stripped as naked that stripped her."

Confession of Thomas Emans, of the parish of All Saints, Worcester, made 19 Aug.

That he entered the Lady chapel in the monastery of Worcester, on Our Lady even the Assumption, 1537, and said a *Paternoster* and an *Ave*, and kissed the image's feet, and then turned and said to the people: "Though our Lady's coat and her jewels be taken away from her, the similitude of this is no worse to pray unto, having a remors unto her above, then it was before." Spoke with the intent that the people should resort to her at Worcester as they had done before. Witnesses:—Hugh bp. of Worcester, Hen. Holbaghe, prior of St. Mary's Worcester, Walter Walshe, Robt. Acton, and Humfrey Burneforde and Wm. Mercer, bailiffs of Worcester. *Signed like* § i.

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27 Aug. 588. NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Returned hither on Saturday last and found the country in good
St. P. v. 101. order, as he left it. Desires before his departing hence to bring Tynedale in better order and fearing that the Scotch ambasssador has not written so frankly to his master as at Grafton he promised, Norfolk has sent a letter to the

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king of Scots (copy enclosed). The time is coming to chastise the rebels of Liddersdale and Tynedale, which can only be done by both princes concurring. Is willing to ride Northwards, if the king of Scots will ride upon Lyddersdale, to do the like upon Tynedale. Will do his best to apprehend Edward and Cuthbert of Charlton and John Heron's son. Desires John Heron to be secretly brought hither, to be conveyed by him to Newcastle to justice by 20 Sept., with a hood upon his head, so that no man should know him by the way, else Norfolk could not take the others. Wishes instructions about the stuff of lord Darcy, Sir Robt. Constable, and the Bulmers and the King's artillery here. Has seven or eight yeomen that were my lord of Richmond's servants, one of whom might have charge of it. Wishes to know when my lord of Durham shall be here that Norfolk may send his stuff home by sea. Begs his favour for Sir George Lawson about the office of which he wrote before. Sheriffhutton, 27 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Aug. **589.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends up the bearer, Robert Bowys, as he promised the King. Begs Cromwell to despatch him that he be here by next Monday night, for on Tuesday Norfolk will have matters of importance requiring his help. That done, will send up Chaloner and Babthroppe. Thinks the bp. of Durham should be spoken with to forget displeasures against Bowys, so that the Council here after Norfolk's departure may be united. Shrifhoton, 27 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

27 Aug. **590.** NORFOLK to JAMES V.

Addit. MS. 19,401, No. 1. B. M. Was with the King* on Our Lady Day the Assumption (15 Aug.) when your ambassador, the abbot of Arbroath, was present, who promised on your behalf to deliver all rebels according to treaty if the King would do the same, and that the officers of the Marches should make answer for Liddersdale. The King has therefore ordered me to Newcastle to see justice done to your subjects; on which and the other matters discussed on that day I desire to know your pleasure. Sheriffhutton, 27 Aug. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the preceding.

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28 Aug. **591.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

The lord Butler will shortly go over to you with the King's decision for the disposition of the castles and fortresses in his hands. Stay proceedings therein till his coming. Windsor, 28 Aug.

Half page. (*See* No. 389, 1.).

28 Aug. **592.** CRANMER to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. v. 292. B. M. C.'s Letters, 346. Strype's Cranmer, App. XIX. Praises his diligence in setting forth the Gospel. Since coming from London into Kent has found the people very obstinate to observe their holidays lately abrogated, and perceiving that their curates animated them thereto, has strictly enjoined the parsons and vicars of his diocese to prevent such holidays being observed and to present any of their parishioners who shall practise in word or deed contrary to any ordinance that the King may hereafter issue for redress of the Church of England. Cromwell should command the other bishops to do the same. "But, my lord, if in the Court

* This must have been at Grafton.

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592. CRANMER to [CROMWELL]—*cont.*

you do keep such holydays and fasting days as be abrogated, when shall we persuade the people to cease from keeping of them; for the King's own house shall be an example unto all the realm to break his own ordinances."

Has twice written in favour of "this poor man," Wm. Gronnow, the bearer, to the lord Deputy of Calais to restore him to his room, but he can get no answer. Begs him to get a bill signed by the King to the treasurers and comptrollers of Calais for payment to Gronnowe of his accustomed wages, and to none other. Forde, 28 Aug. *Signed.*

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28 Aug. **593.** RICHARD GRAFTON, Grocer, to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. v. 330. B. M. Strype's Cranmer, 84. Cranmer's Letters, 346*n.*

As requested sends six bibles. Would have brought them himself, but for the sickness in the city, and therefore has sent them by his servant, who this day came out of Flanders. Begs him to take them as a gift for his pains in moving the King to license such a work. As my lord of Canterbury said, the tidings thereof did him more good than the gift of 10,000*l.*; yet there are men who believe not that the King licensed it. Begs him, therefore, to license it under privy seal. Is sure the lords of Canterbury, Worcester, and Salisbury will thank him for what he has done, and that God will reward him. London, 28 Aug. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

28 Aug. **594.** RAFF WAREN, Mayor of London, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Will accomplish the contents of his letter concerning the matter between Matthew More, merchant of the Stilyard, and the bakers of London. Has committed to prison one John Harrydaunce, bricklayer, who on Sunday last, Aug. 26, preached the gospel openly without licence or sufficient authority out of the window of his mansion house in Whitechapel parish, and caused a great conventicle and unlawful assembly. London, 28 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Aug. **595.** SIR WILL. GODOLGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Owing to the plague no assizes have been kept at Launceston, whereby Carpysacke should be judged and put to execution, and unless there be a special commission he must wait the next assizes. I send your servant James, with Samson and Ric. Jacke "and yff he play with boys yowr lordschypp schalle se hym play with owte fere." Sir John Dodlay and Sir Geo. Karow have had a fight with four Frenchmen at Mount's Bay, from 5 p.m. till dark, and I heard their shooting. A great tempest rose at night, and Sir John Dodlay's spritmast broke, or they had taken all four. At daybreak they brought one into the Kay of the Mount, all to-broken with their ordnance, and departed to sea in good health "and angry with God to send them such weather." Please remember my bill about Trewardreth. John Arundel, son and heir to Sir John, boasts that I shall never have it, and that my lady of Sussex has sent him word to come to Court and make sure of it, for John Graynfeld's lease of the mansion is the only grant of it. Godolghan, 28 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

29 Aug. **596.** PIRACY.

R. O.

Accusation by Stephen Omedeux, *alias* Unde, of Southampton, 29 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII., before Ric. Avyngton, mayor of Bristol, and his brethren, in the council house there, of Francisco de Sovyeta of Rendrie, in Biscay,

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captain of a ship belonging to Domyngo de Sovieta, of having taken certain parcels of woollen cloth, fish, and raiment out of two Guernsey ships on the high seas in October last, and of having tortured Harris, the master of one ship, and strangled Nic. Fasshyn almost to death. Can prove this, either himself or by Thos. Fasshyn, of Hampton, merchant, or other owners of the goods. *Signed by Omedeux with a notarial mark.*

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29 Aug. R. O. **597.** Sir Wm. Brereton to Cromwell.

Your letters to Sir Piers Dutton for the deliverance of Piers Feldy, whom he had forcibly taken from my custody at Chester castle, and also for his appearance before your Lordship to answer for the same, were delivered to him at Dutton 10 Aug. He said he would answer them, and regarded the matter very light. I told your Lordship at Windsor of his misdemeanour in this, and it shall be approved very truth. On the Wednesday Sir Piers took Feldy to his house at Hatton and kept him there till Saturday, when he put him to execution at Boughton, within the limits of the city of Chester. At his execution he made a confession (enclosed), which confirms his previous confession before the mayor of Chester, myself, and others. Sir Piers' friends openly report that he can do as he likes in this county. If he is not punished it will be so supposed by the whole shire. I desire to know your mind by the bearer, my son. I lately received your letters for the discharge of the abbot and canons of Norton, and have done so on their giving sufficient sureties. Brereton, 29 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Particular letters.

ii. The confession of Piers Feldy at his execution at Boughton.

The said Piers, standing at Boughton at the Cross there, Saturday, 4 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII., before he went to the place of execution, openly required a discreet ghostly father to hear his confession, this notwithstanding that a priest appointed by Sir Piers Dutton had been with him all the previous day, and was there present, having accompanied him from Hatton. Many priests and friars were standing by; one of them, John Hurleton, prior of the White Friars of Chester, a very discreet man, came forward at this request, but the servants of Sir Piers, in whose custody Feldy was, would not allow any one to do so except the priest appointed by Sir Piers. This man is an assured friend of Sir Piers, whom he calls master, and from whom he has an annuity of 20*s.* for life. Afterwards Feldy, standing on the ladder at the place of execution, confessed openly to having accused "Nevenᵗʰ" persons of the city and county of Chester of treason. Amongst other he named Ralph Rogerson of Chester, Piers Bruyne of Tervyn, Roger Ince of Chester, and Rondulph Brereton, late of Chester, deceased, asking their forgiveness, and that of Rondulph Brereton's wife and children. He said he had unjustly accused them, and knew nothing of them except that they were true men. Addressing the widow of the said Rondulph he said, "Hale did accuse the said Rondulph as well as I; howbe it he had never come up to London but through my accusation, which I did by counsel." He was then asked to declare by whose instigation he accused these persons, but said he would not declare it then to set debate amongst the gentlemen of the shire, and continued, "Masters, never trust to knight, esquire, nor gentleman, for I was fair promised; howbeit it is an old saying, 'Fair words make fools fain.'" When asked if his previous confession, made in the castle of Chester were true, he said he thought the King's Council knew of it, and that it was true. Then one Rauf Mannyng said, "Feldy, thou did accuse me; is that true or not? God forgive thee, and I do." Feldy looked at him, but made no answer or request for forgiveness. Feldy then accused one Holland of Assheton of hiring him and two others to

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beat Robert Croket of Barton for taking a house ; they had received part of the money promised for this business, and Holland had said they would have a mark a year for life if they killed Croket and the same so long as they were in hiding for striking him. Holland, who was present, denied this. Feldy took it upon his death it was true, and said, "Hollande, thou art my mortal enemy." Then Feldy said there were three pairs of coining irons in the shire, and that there were persons listening to him who had coining irons. At this point he was suddenly turned beside the ladder by the servants of Sir Piers, and died without saying more.

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30 Aug. **598.** John Hutton to Henry VIII.

R. O. S. P. VII. 707.

Has had continual espial at Liege, where Pole has resided since his last until the 22nd inst., when he departed thence, riding solemnly through the city, giving his benediction to the people, with a cross borne before him and other ceremonies. He was accompanied out of the city by the card. of Liege, the bp. of Verona, and another named here "le nounce du Pappe," and rode towards Mastrike, where a chapter is to be held on the 3rd prox., after which he will depart towards Rome.

Letters from Rome of the 13th inst. state that divers Venetian galleys have come in conflict with Turkish vessels, and it is thought the Venetians will be compelled "to spane in" with the Emperor, though the ancients of their senate object, as they have much merchandise in Syria. The Bishop of Rome has 7,000 foot, and daily musters men; never was seen at Rome such gathering in of money. Some think "St. Peter's rich cope is in great danger to put to sack." The Turk has gained some holds adjoining Castro. The viceroy of Naples is departed towards the Turk's army with 10,000 foot and 6,000 horse. Many think Doria's victory will turn to displeasure, as his galleys are unfurnished. It was a cruel fight. Sends the copy that was sent hither by one present. Complaint is made here that one Capt. Barlo has been attached and is in danger to suffer for serving the Emperor in his late wars, for they say there were Englishmen found on the French side at St. Pol, Montreuil, and elsewhere. Has answered that the arrest must have been for some other cause. Antwerp, 30 Aug.

Hol. Add. Endd.

R. O.

2. The Same to Cromwell.

Gives copy of the preceding. As there is more news here than at the Court, and as this Synxson Mart is the busiest time of the year with the merchants, he thought best to come hither. Departs tomorrow towards Bruges. Antwerp, 30 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **599.** Henry VIII. to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Cambridge.

Cooper's Annals of Cambridge, I. 390.

Understands that since the receipt of Cromwell's letters (of 14 Aug.) the mayor and others repaired to Cromwell to have had counter commandment of some things in the letters, and that one of the company said "that the attempting of the contrary touching the maner of the receyving of the othe was but a feete mater," with which the King is not a little offended. His express pleasure and commandment is that they shall duly and without contradiction fulfil the said commandment in all points without exception, as they will answer at their extreme perils. Assher, 31 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII.

Signed with a stamp. Add.

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31 Aug. **600.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 348.

Thanks him for his answer by his servant Nevell, and for his good mind towards him concerning his debts to the Crown.

As to the lands at Maidstone and Otford which the King wishes to have in exchange, has small experience in such causes, and refers the matter wholly to Cromwell.

Will justify all that he has written about the prior of the Black Friars in Canterbury. Asks him to write to the lord Chancellor for the preferment of Antony Nevell to be *custos rotulorum* of Nottinghamshire. Has received three letters from the King for the collection of the subsidy for Canterbury, the shire, and Rochester, but only one commission, for Canterbury. Wants the others. Has sent to his commissary at Calais to withdraw his process against Mr. Chamberleyn. Forde, 31 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **601.** HENRY MAN and JOHN MICHEL, Visitors of the Carthusian Order, to ——— COPYNGER, General Confessor at Syon.

Cleop. E. IV. 247. B. M.

This document, noticed in the year 1535 (Vol. VII. 1105), appears to be of the year 1537.

31 Aug. **602.** [SIR] ROGER TOUNESHEND to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Sends, by the prior of the White Friars of Burnham, Norfolk, a book of "cungerations" and a paper of prophecies rehearsed by one Ric. Laund, pinner of Norwich.

The prior can show him the good service done by Austen Styward, alderman of Norwiche. Asks him to thank the prior, who was the taker of one of the most rank traitors that were privy to the conspiracy at Walsingham. Would have written sooner but has been engaged with the matter between the prior and cellarer of Walsingham, which Cromwell wrote to him to examine, and which he hopes soon to finish. Begs favour for this prior in his suits. 31 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **603.** CHRISTOPHER JENNEY to [CROMWELL].

R. O.

Thanks Cromwell for several letters in his behalf to the mayor and brethren of Lynne, but they say "upon the report of your lordship's mouth" you are content that they shall do as they list notwithstanding your letters. On receipt of Cromwell's last in favour of Jenney's servant, Mr. Conyngesby told the mayor and brethren he would write and discharge them against your lordship; which encouraged them to disobey, as Mr. Hastyngs, the bearer, for whom he begs credence, can show. How lightly they esteem Cromwell's letters is "noted by the best in those parts." 31 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Begins:* "Right honourable and my singular and special good lord."

604. CHR. JENNEY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Apparently a P.S. to the preceding:—My lord, I have no special causes requiring haste to write of until I shall wait on your lordship concerning our being in the North parts. The man we saw most out of order was Jack of Musgrave whom we caused to make restitution of goods. If time had served there would have been other complaints of him which my lord of Norfolk will reform at his next being in those parts. If Norfolk abode in Northumberland and Cumberland he would do the King best service. After this effect I have sent him word since his coming from the King.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Chr. Jeney ultimo Aug. and touching Jack a Musgrave.

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31 Aug. **605.** Robt. Holdych to Cromwell.

R. O. Where of late it pleased the King to grant proclamations, under his broad seal, that until Michaelmas next, all manner of cloths made for sale should be sealed by the "awlnegeors" without any forfeiture, the Acts of Parliament notwithstanding: as "awlnegeor" of Suffolk, Essex, and other shires I have warned the most substantial by word of mouth, and written to the others that after the said feast, they should not incur the danger of the statutes. Being doubtful how to act, I intended to have waited on your lordship and told my lord's Grace [Norfolk] so at his being here. He approved of my doing so but afterwards considering what I had to do in his house and elsewhere for him he desired me to write to your lordship in excuse by the bearer Gilbert Claydon. Kenynghale, Friday, 31 August, anno 29.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **606.** Ric. Abyngdon, Mayor of Bristol, to Cromwell.

R. O. A ship named the *Salvator* of the Rendry in Spain, Domingo de Sovieta, owner, arrived at this port of Bristol, and one Stephen Omedeux, otherwise Unde, of Southampton has accused Francisco de Sovieta, brother of the said Domingo, of piracy on the high sea, in taking 3 fardels of woollen cloth belonging to Englishmen out of two Guernsey ships. Divers Englishmen have since complained of piracies committed by one John Saunce de Sovieta, gromett, son of John Surey, who came to Bristol in the said ship and is now in ward at the accusation of Rob. Avyntry. Bristol, 31 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **607.** John Worth to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a dozen of Picardy cheeses which, he is informed, Cromwell likes. Has been here at Calais since he was favoured with Cromwell's letters to lord Berners then deputy, and since his death has served lord and lady Lisle, who for Cromwell's sake have given him 6*d.* a day in the King's retinue. Desires Cromwell to thank them and to request lord Lisle to change his 6*d.* a day to 8*d.* at the first vacancy. Calais, 31 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed.*

31 Aug. **608.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter and seen another from the lieutenant of the mayor of Wissant to you, by which it appears that some English hoys laden with wood have struck on the coast. I never heard it till now, and have sent for the Admiral's lieutenant to get information of the boldness of the mayor in not informing me. Justice shall be done. As to what you say that you will inform the King your master, I am sure when he knows the diligence used here to obtain justice he will take it in good part. Boulogne, 31 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

31 Aug. **609.** Jacques Roche, Lieutenant of the Admiral, to Lord Lisle.

R. O. The seneschal and governor of Boulogne has this day shown him Lisle's letter about a hoy laden with wood, destined for the works at Calais which has struck on the coast of Wissant. Has sent officers of the Admiral to place the property in security that it may be restored to whomsoever it belongs, and will see to the punishment of the offenders. Boulogne, 31 Aug.

Hol. Fr., pp. 2. *Add.:* Mons. le Debitis et gouverneur de Callais.

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610. HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES.

R. O. Information against Sir Richard Crowley curate of Broghton for preaching betwixt Christmas day and Candlemas day that the Pope signified the sun, the King the moon, and the stars all the people in the world. "Now the sun is taken away and the moon has lost her light. Now the world is dark, never so dark: who is it that giveth the light but we of the Church?" On Corpus Christi day, "our new found Lady" [day], Jesus day, St. Laurence day and Relic Sunday, he said he could not command them to keep holyday but exhorted them to come for the pardon granted thereto. On Midsummer day he had mass not at the parish church but at a chapel of St. John for the pilgrims that came thither.

P. 1. *Endd.*

611. RICHARD, Prior of St. Thomas's nigh Stafford, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Lately received Cromwell's letters by one Mr. Leyke a gentleman of Derbyshire for the same Leyke to have a lease of a church of theirs called Aldelem (Audlem), Cheshire. It is in occupation of five poor farmers there by lease, yet the prior and his brethren, considering Cromwell's goodness, have given Leyke a 50 years' lease in reversion after the first. Might have had for it from Mr. John Boythe, the King's servant, 40 mks. and from Leyke he had but 6*s.* 8*d.* At Midsummer last, delivered 60*l.* to Robt. Browne, the lord President's servant, for Cromwell; sends by bearer 20*l.* and desires respite for the other 20*l.* St. Thomas' nigh Stafford.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

612. SIR WILLIAM FITZWILLIAM to LORD LISLE.*

R. O. My brother Clefford is robbed of jewels and money "worthe an old honderethe pound" by a Picard who took ship at Berwick in a Frenchman of Depe. Trusts that Lisle will apprehend them if he land at Calais or thereabouts. Begs that he will keep it secret from all but the Council, the deputy of Guysnes, the secretary and water bailiff of Calais. "For lake of my clarke ye shall have myche work to understand thys letter."

The thief came to "my broder Cotes" when he came to me to Guisnes, and has continued with my sister ever since.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

613. FRENCH DEPREDATIONS.

R. O. Philip Gibbys, of Tynbye in Wales, being sworn and examined, says that about last Lent a ship of St. Malowes robbed an English ship on the Cornish coast of wine and sent three butts thereof to Tynbye, where it is now in the mayor's hands; that two French ships have lain off the Welsh coast since Easter, and took a fisher boat of Milford, wherewith they have robbed all that have passed the coast for six weeks; there are many Frenchmen now watching for the English, Irish, and Welsh who are accustomed to come to the fair at Bristol; the night after Larguerec, captain of a French ship, was arrested at Tynby, three boats came to try to rescue him.

Morgan Taillour of Tynbye says that many French and Breton ships have lain on the Welsh coast this year, robbing all the English ships they could, and coming on land to steal sheep.

John du Laerquerec, captain of the French ship, denies that he ever spoiled Englishmen, but Peter Dromyowe, one of his mariners, confessed that they had robbed one Englishman, whereupon Laerquerec confessed that he

* The exact date of this letter cannot be ascertained, but it is not later than the end of August 1537.

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613. French Depredations—*cont.*

had taken ships' ropes, mariners' apparel, five pieces of wine, fish, a gold crown, and 11 silver halfpence or pence, four daggers and a couverture, called in French "ung pont de raye." He has heard that a ship of St. Malowes, of which John Hacque is captain and owner, has pilled many Englishmen.

Pp. 2, *in the hand of Fitzwilliam's clerk. Add:* To the right worshipful Master Wrethesley. *Endd.:* The confession of the French captain taken at Tenbigh.—Books of sundry kinds, as confessions, certificates, and examinations.

614. J. Elangehac, Bishop of Limoges, to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. Desires him to cause his horses to be delivered, which the writer embarked at Dover, expecting they would have followed in the track of the other ships which brought him hither. Begs him also to despatch his men as soon as possible, as he is engaged on the business of both their masters. Boulogne, Saturday morning. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

615. Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Desires to be recommended to lord Lisle. Since the peace I heard that Madame de Riou wished to speak with me, and I have been to her. I cannot tell you her innumerable and continual annoyances, which render her more subject to cartarrh and other diseases, which come in her case partly from melancholy. If you understood my letters I would write about a secret thing and ask your advice. As I can neither speak nor write your language, I beg you to remember in your prayers the necessities of certain persons. Madame de Riou desires to be recommended to the Deputy and to you. She has written to you, but I do not know whether you have received the letters, as I have had no news from you since, and hope to have news by the bearer. I send "ung ensangie" with which I have touched the head of St. John the Baptist at Amiens. I had formerly a fine piece of the point of a unicorn's horn, which had been given me by a great lady, of which I was very careful on account of its properties. I lent it to a sick person, and on asking for it again was told that it had been stolen. This little piece was given to me to be set, and there is no goldsmith here. I beg you to have it done for me. Dunkirk.

Certain English persons once brought a young boy to live at Amiens at the hostel of Mons. de Ghouwy, promising him a good salary if he brought him up well. He has done so, but no one has come to pay him or know how the child gets on. He has given me these copies showing that he was charged to take the child into his house. Please have them examined to see if any one knows the persons concerned.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Debity de Calles.

616. Queen Margaret of Scotland to Norfolk.

Calig. B. 1. 191. B. M. St. P. v. 103. Thinks it unkind that when he sends to Scotland he sends no message for her. Since Mr. Sadlar left she has no word from the King her brother. Complains that though she has obtained her divorce from the lord Meffen, and sentence has been ready to have been pronounced these 12 weeks, the King her son has stopped it, though he had promised when she gave him her "maynnes" of Dunbar for certain money that she should have sentence pronounced. Asks him to write, seeing that he is so near these parts, to the King her son and let him know that the King her brother will not suffer her to be wronged. Prays him to make some errand to the King her son without letting it be known that she has advertised him. "They" cause the

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King her son to believe that Meffen may give her lands and living to the King as long as he is her husband. Is herself in such suspicion for England that she dare send no Scots man, and begs Norfolk to send a special servant to whom she may speak. Credence for Harry Ree.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

617. Grants in August 1537.

Aug. Grants.

1. Sir Edw. Seymour viscount Beauchamp and dame Anne his wife. Grant in tail male of the manors of Slaughtenford and Alyngton, Wilts., belonging to the suppressed monastery of Farlegh, Wilts.; and all lands, messuages, &c., in the vills, fields, &c., of Slaughtenford, Alington, Sopworth, and Wraxall, Wilts., belonging to the said late monastery, as held by Lewis Breknok *alias* Willen, late prior. Also the house and site of the late monastery of Maydenbradley, Wilts., and the manor of Maydenbradley and Yarnefeld, Wilts., belonging to the said late monastery, as held by Ric. Jenyns, the late prior. Also the manor of Kyngeston Deverell, Wilts., belonging to the late monastery of Leteley, Hants., as held by ——— (*blank*) the late prior. Annual value 159*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.*, rent 16*l.* Sunnynghill, 28 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 2 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

2. Ralph Worseley, yeoman of the Wardrobe of Robes to the Queen Consort Jane. Grant of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown; on surrender of pat. 26 April 9 Hen. VIII. granting the same to John Parker, yeoman of the cross-bows. *Del.* Berechurch, 2 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 13.

3. The bishopric of Carlisle. Assent to the election of Rob. Aldridge, almoner to the Queen Consort Jane, as bishop, *vice* John Kytte, deceased. Windsor Castle, 6 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 7 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.—*Rym. XIV.* 583.

4. Hen. Watkyns, clk. Presentation to the provostship of the collegiate church of St. Gybi's castle (*i.e.* Holyhead, "castri Sancti Cubii") in the archdeaconry of Anglesea, Bangor dioc., *vice* Hen. Rotte, clk., resigned. *Del.* Westm., 12 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 13.

5. James Bourghchier, John Prowyd and Will. Grene. Next presentation to the parish church of Marke, Marches of Calais. Windsor castle, 4 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 14 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 12.

6. Roger Toueshend, clk. To be one of the King's chaplains, with licence to serve Thomas, abp. of Canterbury, and to be non-resident and to hold pluralities. Grafton, 29 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 15 Aug.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 24. (*In English.*)

7. For the mayor, bailiffs, and commonalty of Exeter. Patent confirming all charters and liberties granted by former kings, and constituting the city a separate county distinct from the county of Devon; and that 24 men of the common council of the said city shall annually elect one of their number to be sheriff, who shall hold courts on a Tuesday in every month. Also there shall be nine aldermen, of whom the recorder shall be one. Grafton, 17 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

8. John Pek, esquire of the Royal Body. To be door-ward of Sandale castle, Yorks., and keeper of the little park there, with the usual fees, *vice* James Ascue, deceased. Ampthill, 20 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

Vacated on personal surrender 26 *Sep.* 30 *Hen. VIII., in order that the offices might be granted to the said John, and Nic. Pek, his son, in survivorship.*

9. The bishopric of Carlisle. Restitution of the temporalities, on the election, by the prior and the convent, of Rob. Aldrige, chaplain and almoner of the Queen Consort Jane, confirmed by Edward abp. of York, as bishop, *vice* John Kyte, deceased. Ampthill, 10 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 2. *Rym.* XIV. 583.

10. Artillery Company. Licence to Sir Chr. Morres, Master of the Ordnance, Anth. Knevett and Peter Mewtes, gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, overseers of the fraternity or guild of St. George, to be overseers of the science of artillery, to wit, for long-bows, cross-bows, and "hand-gonnes," of which science Sir Chr. Morres, Cornelis Johnson, Anth. Antony, and Hen. Johnson shall be masters and rulers; and also to the said Sir Christopher, Cornelis, Anthony and Henry to found a fraternity of St. George to be incorporated as the fraternity or guild of artillery of long-bows, cross-bows, and "hand-gonnes." The members to be free to exercise the art of shooting with long-bows, &c. at all manner of marks and butts and at the game of the popinjay and at other games as at fowl in the city of London, and in all other places in England, Ireland, Calais, and the Marches of Wales, except royal forests, chases, and parks, without special warrant; and to wear an embroidery or cognizance of silver, and any manner of silk gowns and jackets, except purple and scarlet; and to be exempt from serving on any inquest or jury in London or elsewhere; with other privileges. Greenwich, 29 April 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Aug.—P.S. (*In English*).

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Aug. GRANTS.

617. GRANTS in AUGUST 1537—*cont.*

Enrolled in a modern hand, Pat. p. 5, m. 1, by order of J. Leach, M.R., 26 May 1829. *The order which is enrolled on the dorse sets forth, that though the original charter had been lost, the writ of the Privy Seal by virtue of which it had passed was in the Rolls Chapel.*

11. Ric. Cotton. Annuity of 40 marks, out of the issues of the manor of Bedehampton, Hants. *Del.* Oldford, 29 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p. 1, m. 23.*

12. John Rydleye, John Ingram, and Ralph Ingram. Next presentation to the parish church of St. Einanus the Bishop, with the chapel annexed called Tydwoll, Bangor dioc. Estamstede, 23 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Olde Forde, 29 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p. 5, m. 15.*

13. Thos. Abarmeby. Reversion (in consideration of his services in the late wars and in Calais) of the room of a soldier of Calais, with fees of 8*d.* a day. Windsor Castle, 28 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Olde Forde, 29 Aug.—P.S. (*Add.: to Lord Lisle, deputy, lord Edm. Hawarde, comptroller, and Rob. Fowler, vice-treasurer, of Calais*).

618. THE BISHOPS' BOOK.

R. O. Cranmer's Works, 469.

Minute of an answer of Henry VIII. to a letter from the commissioners, apparently intended to be prefixed to the "Institution of a Christian Man," directing that it should be read in every parish church every Sunday and festival day during the next three years.

Begins: Albeit that hitherto we have had no time convenient to overlook your great pains taken in the long search.

Ends: be engraven in the hearts of our said people."

Draft, with corrections and additions by Cromwell, pp. 6. *Endd.:* A book upon the Institution of a Christian Man.

R. O. 2. Fair copy of the same.

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619. [CROMWELL] to MICHAEL THROG[MORTON].

I have received your letters of 20 Aug. declaring "the causes that moved youe [so] long to demore and continue in [those] parts, [with su]ndry other things in the same expres[sed] . . . . . your letters I received also a letter . . . . . the King's Majesty's ambass[ador] in [F]launders" containing a credence brought to him by a friar to the effect that if the King would "put a stay to such [bulls] as ye write the bishop of Rome and h[is accom]plisses" intend to put forth against him, Dr. Wilson is the best instrument for the purpose. I have shown the King the effect of both letters, and moved him to send "[Doctor Wi]lson unto your master friendly and frankly [to commu]ne with him for his reconciliation." Although the King counts for nothing all that the bp. of Rome's malice can do; yet "to save [him whom] he hath from his cradle nourished [and] broug[ht up in] learning, and whose family be[ing oppre]ssed an[d trampled] under foot his goodness hath aga[in] . . . . . [an]d re[stored to] their honour and possessions, in case his Hi[ghness can be] assured that he will tarry at Mast[richt] till [Dr. Wilson] may repair thither to entreat all matters at length [with] him, his Majesty will send the said Mr. Wilson th[ither] with diligence for that purpose, which your master will not re[fuse] to do if he retain that mind that [according to his] own words he hath in him. Surely, Thro[gmorton, how]soever he hath forced his Majesty to declare against [him, his] Highness would more esteem the reconciliation of hy[m that] he knoweth to be made an instrument to his own con[fusion in] the end if he persist in it than he passeth of all [that the] bishop of Rome's malice can work against his Gra[ce.] Wherefore if

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he woll in any any part answer to his Hi[ghness'] clemency and affection towards him, let h[im] . . . . . write the certainty for his demore, b . . . . . as he may rather redubbe partly th . . . . . any further irritate his Grace by any s . . . . . or sentences to be in his letters expressed . . . . . see the letters conveyed hither and Mr. [Wilson] . . . . the mean season till answer come be . . . . ." From M[ortlake] . . . . . of September at night.

Draft, pp. 2. *Mutilated. Addressed below:* To Michel Throg[morton].

620. Cromwell to Wilson and Heath.

R. O. "A remembrance to Mr. Dr. Wilson and Mr. Hethe, chaplains to the King's Majesty, for the better direction of themselves in their voyage into Flanders."

First, whereas Michael Throgmorton, servant to Reynold Pole (which Pole, in contempt of the King who brought him up at his own charges, has given himself to his Highness' mortal enemy the bp. of Rome, and become a sycophant in writing and an unkind deviser of treasons), did of late with a pretence of loyalty write from Liege, 20 Aug. last, to me, the lord Privy Seal, stating, among other things, that he thought Master Wilson would be a meet instrument to stay the said Pole, whose judgment he took to be not so decided, but that it might be influenced by men of learning like him and Hethe, I, accordingly, desired the King's licence for Wilson to repair to the said Pole in the confines of Flanders. "I found a gracious inclination in him to condescend to my desire," and his Majesty, of his great clemency, "willing to have recovered that he hath himself made somewhat of nothing when he seeeth it in such jeopardy of utter destruction, how much evil soever it hath deserved of him," has licensed me not only to send the said Wilson and Hethe to the said Pole but also to instruct them. I accordingly, joining with me the bps. of Durham and London (who have shown their virtue and learning, both by their instructions in points of learning to the said Wilson and Hethe, and by their letters thereu[pon] directed to the said Pole) have devised as follows:—

First, that in their journey towards —— (*blank*), where Pole lies, they shall [take] with them this remembrance, with the letters written by the said bps., a sermon lately made by the bp. of York, an oration set forth by the bp. of Winchester and a book of certain things lately determined here by the whole clergy —— (*blank*). And on their arrival they shall frankly declare to the said Pole his miserable condition, and on the other hand the great clemency of the Prince in suffering them to resort to him for his reconciliation, and the great probability that the King will yet take him to mercy and put him in the state of an honest man if he will return home, acknowledge his fault, and desire forgiveness. They shall urge him to weigh what grace he may now find and what may be the end if he persist in his madness. In their conversation they must by no means call him by any other name than Mr. Pole, nor in their gesture give him any pre-eminence, but show by their bearing that they hold him in the less estimation for his vain title. If they find him disposed to repent they shall advise him for a testimony thereof to write submissively to the King, and send at once the minute of his frantic book, preparing also to repair hither with all diligence himself to make like submission. And if he express any fear of danger they shall advertise me at once what he wishes for his security, and I will be a humble suitor to the King to declare his clemency in such fashion that I trust he need fear nothing.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 13.

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621. JOHN GRESHAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. The value of Whittington College to him that shall be master* is no more than 13*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Asks his favour for the bearer. *Sealed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

622. NICHOLAS WHELOCK, Vicar of Biddulph, Staff., to CROMWELL.

R. O. Petition setting forth that he is now prisoner by Cromwell's order in Stafford Castle; where he has lain 26 weeks without trial, having been accused of seditious words by John Thorley and Hewgh Walklate, at the procurement of certain persons who have obtained the advowson of his benefice. At the last assises his accusers left the town to avoid giving evidence when commanded by Mr. Justice Porte to do so. Desires to be tried this sessions after Michaelmas.
P. 1. *Mutilated. Add.:* Privy Seal.

1 Sept. **623.** SIR THOS. AUDELEY, Chancellor, to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Begs his favour in behalf of his servant John Nycholas the bearer, to whom the King has granted a spear's place at Calais, at 8*d.* a day. Begs he may be admitted into the place which is now void. Old Ford, 1 Sept. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.*

1 Sept. **624.** RAUFF WAREN, Mayor of London, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter asking him to send the bricklayer† with the examinations and depositions. Sends the prisoner, who was committed for openly confessing that he preached on Aug. 26, without sufficient licence and for malice that he had to his parson and curate, who he says called him heretic openly in the pulpit and cried out blood and fire upon him. The parson on Thursday last denied it. The prisoner being asked where he learned the same, said that for 30 years he had endeavoured to learn Scripture, but he cannot write or read. He would not confess who were his bearers and fautors, but began his sermon before us "*In nomine Patris et Filius* (sic) *et Spiritus Sanctus* (sic) *Amen*," and declared some part of it. He hath the New Testament ever about him.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My lord Mayor the first of September.

1 Sept. **625.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. It is long since I heard from your lordship, and I yet doubt whether you have received the letters sent by Henburye's man and, since then, by Jas. Vydyan, shoemaker, of Canterbury, who also carried a packet of Mr. Surveyor's letters. I have daily looked for Mr. Porter's coming, by whom I expected to know your full mind. I am anxious to hear how my lady speeds. I trust, as well as ever she did, though she somewhat mistrusts herself. Yet by your lordship's good advertisements, howsoever God will that it frame, her ladyship shall take it much the better, and it is not to be doubted but God worketh all for the best. Your horse was delivered on Wednesday last, and well handled by the bearer. I think Mr. Richard will never part with him. He thanks you entirely for him and at his return from Warwickshire will send you a nag. He gave the bearer 40*s.* I have returned your lordship the saddle, for he had nothing but the bridle and a yellow cloth. The saddle was well saved and he would little have regarded it. I wrote about the

* Ric. Smith, S.T.P., was made master of Whittington Coll., 9 Sept. 1537, on death of Edw. Feld, S.T.P.
† John Harrydaunce.

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obtaining of your long suit, and that you should write thankful letters to my lord Privy Seal and Mr. Wriothesley. It would be well taken if you wrote to the King also. Send me the copies of the letters that I may know what answer to make at the delivery of them.

As to your patent, I cannot get the Chancellor of the Augmentations to set his hand to the book, but I doubt not to pass it without him or his hand. He has constrained me to search the Parliament roll for the danger of it, for I would be loath to stand in his courtesy. As far as I could see, he never meant your lordship good, but I trust to make it sure in spite of his teeth. I think it grieves him that you have the fee simple without his help. I send a whole red deer packed in salt canvas, being the halves of two deer parted between John Wyngfyld and me. The Queen asked the King for one for him, and he sends it to Sir Robt. Wingfield at Calais baked. The lord Admiral spoke to the King for you at my request. His Highness was loath to send it, being no better; but the lord Privy Seal and lord Admiral said that whatever he sent would be joyfully received by your lordship. He divided eight deer as follows. The first to the Imperial Ambassador, the second the King took, the third my lord Privy Seal, the fourth the French Ambassador, the fifth the lord Chancellor, the sixth between your lordship and Mr. Wingfield; the seventh, between the bishop of Chichester and Mr. Comptroller, Mr. Pallett; and the eighth, between your lordship and Mr. Wingfield. He may thank the Queen for it. I was very loath to be coupled with him, but I would not refuse the King's gift. You must write a letter of thanks to my lord Admiral. I send two warrants which Mr. Russell has got; Thundersley and Rayley in Essex. Haddley is not in the King's gift. If it had been your lordship should have had it, but the Queen is very dangerous and will grant none. If you write to thank Mr. Russell, he will be ready to do you pleasure another time. You must speed these warrants for the time draws fast away. James Crane has his pardon and will go hence to night or tomorrow. The lord Admiral looks daily for your answer about lord Montague's walk in the forest of Bere. If you will not grant Huntley's lease, he wants the old lease. The treasurer expects to be thanked for the 20*l.* I had of him for the charges of your patent. The banding of your enemies there is not to be considered, as your friends here are strong enough to defend you. I have so wrought that West and his sons shall not speed without your assent. Lord Privy Seal says the King desires you and the Council to punish the priest of Guisnes or any other who shall break the King's laws, and not to send them over. He will examine the two priests who are here at his next coming to London. Sir John Dudley offers to send two bucks to Mrs. Frances' marriage and to Mr. Bassett's. The abbot of Westminster doth amend. I will speak to him in two days. I think he is so greedy that he will not tarry for his tun of wine. As yet I can write no further than I have done, which is 5 marks in money, and 5 marks in a silver salt, for the bequest of Vyllers. St. Katharine's 1 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

1 Sept. R. O. **626.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

I sent you a letter lately by one of Canterbury, declaring my poor mind. I have been with Mr. Treasurer, who refuses to help you with 20*l.*, on account of his own great need. Herewith I send two letters, the one from my lady Rutland, to whom I delivered the two dozen quails and one dozen brews. Neither my lady Sussex nor my lady Rutland will require you to pass on their stuff. By the other letter, from my lady Sussex, you will find that the Queen now wishes to see your daughters as soon as possible. They had better be here within 15 days, as the Queen takes her chamber in 20 days. Whichever the Queen accepts must have a servant to wait on her, and the Queen will give her but 10*l.* a year. Touching the woman my

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lady Rutland agreed with you about, she has sent her back to her father, saying plainly she is not for you. Tyldysley has been in hand with me for the carpets. They must be returned as they are pointed out by warrant, and also the Queen's red travers. They must be here by the 20th inst. Mr. Surveyor and Mr. Popley promise that your weir shall be remembered. Sir William must await my lord Privy Seal's coming to London and then I hope he will do right well. I beg you to trust in God, and I doubt not you will do as well as ever. St. Katharine's, 1 Sept.

I beg that Sendye may come over with Mrs. Katharine and Mrs. Anne.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

1 Sept. Lamb. 602, f. 50.

627. LORD LEONARD GREY to HENRY VIII.

Concerning affairs in Ireland. To the same effect as his letter to Cromwell, which follows; omitting the last paragraph.

1 Sept. R. O. St. P. II. 471.

628. LORD LEONARD GREY to CROMWELL.

After finishing the journey against the Cavenaghes and others mentioned in letters from him and the Council to the King, hearing of Odonell's death and O'Neil's levying of adherents, and O'Neil's son's attempt to seize Ardglas castle, Grey proclaimed a general hosting with one month's provisions. By the Council's advice appointed O'Neil to come to the borders three days before the host should march. This he did and met the Chancellor, bp. of Meath and Chief Justice, and agreed to abide the order of these three and of Maguyer and McDonel, captain of his galloglas. As he delivered no pledges, but for the advice of the whole Council and the fact that O'Neil had a great force of Irish and Scots with him, would have visited him in his camp in such wise that his part-takers would have had little cause to boast. While on the borders with the King's host, as above, the new Odonell sent him certain letters (copy and answer enclosed in his letter to the King): if he persevere he may do good service against O'Neil. Thinks, with the Council, that the King should accept him to grace. Begs answer upon this or he will never be at any certainty with O'Donell, any more than he is with James of Dessemond.

For the love of God help us to a battery piece and artillery, which cannot be gotten here for money. The lack of that and money which we look for every day is a great hindrance. On the arrival of the money I will send my trusty servant Stephen Apparrye, to whom give credence. Bectif, 1 Sept. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Sept. R. O.

629. E. VISCOUNT BEAUCHAMP, to CROMWELL.

Writes to know how he has fared since the writer's departure. Wishes Cromwell were with him, when he should have had the best sport with bow, hounds, and hawks. Master Lister has brought such hounds as are loth to diminish his game and his hawks favour the partridges. Cromwell has one friend here, Mr. Edgar,* who seldom forgets him. Mr. Penison also is here, who says the King promised his wife a jointure when he married. I beg you therefore to put him in the book if the King distribute any of the forfeited lands in the North. I also beg your favour for my chaplain. Wulfhaull, 2 Sept. *Signed.*

P.S. *in his own hand:* Commendations to his brother-in-law† and sister, "and I pray God to send me by them shortly a nephew."

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* No doubt this is the "Thomas Edgair" mentioned in Vol. XI. No. 135, and probably also the "Mons. Edgare" the writer of No. 324 in that volume.

† Gregory Cromwell who married Elizabeth the writer's sister, widow of Sir Anthony Ughtred.

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2 Sept. **630.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. In behalf of the bearer John Eglesfylde. Cromwell knows the honest service done by his uncle Laurence Eglesfylde, dec. Sheriffhutton, 2 Sept. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Sept. **631.** THE IRISH COMMISSIONERS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have received your letter with the King's pleasure for James of Desmond and copy of his letter to the King. For lack of wind remain at Holyhead. Holyhead, 2 Sept. *Signed:* Antony Sentleger——George Poulet ——Thomas Moyle——Willm. Berners.

Moyle's hand, p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Sept. **632.** SENTLEGER to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Mr. Pallett and I have received my Lord's several letters concerning James of Desmond and a copy of a letter from him to the King. Have written of the receipt of the said letters and how the wind has stayed us here three weeks. I beg that when ye write into these parts I may also hear from you "an specially whether salmon be in season." Hollehed in the Isle of Anglesey, 2 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* At Court. *Endd.*

2 Sept. **633.** JOHN HUTTON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. S. P. VII. 709. Wrote from Antwerp 31 Aug. of Pole's departure from Liege. Came immediately after to Bruges where the Regent still resides, hunting most part of the day and seldom coming to Council. A pardon has come from Rome which requires men to fast three days and be shriven and houselled the fourth, which day is kept here this present Sunday. Some say pardons are not much valued in Italy to be sent here so cheap. The lords of Prat and Liskyrke are to depart with speed to the Emperor. Loys Schore and the secretary George Displegen are to be sent to Estland. The duchess of Milan is expected, who is to marry the duke of Cleves' son. The seneschal of Hainault is to return to France and De Peynnys hither as their ransoms cannot be arranged. The duke of Gueldres and the governor of Friesland have discharged the men they had assembled. Bruges, 2 Sept.

Hol. Sealed. Add. Endd.

2 Sept. **634.** JOHN HUTTON to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Sends two letters by bearer, for the King and my lord Privy Seal. Would be glad to hear from Wriothesley. Wrote other letters 2 days ago. Thinks the hawks he sent can speed no worse than others he sent by land when of 10 there came but one alive to Calais. Commendations to Mrs. Wriothesley. Bruges, 2 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* At the Court. *Endd.*

2 Sept. **635.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Yesterday friar Peto came to the English house in Antwerp and delivered the enclosed letters. I demanded his further credence, and after a long protestation, he said that his cousin Throkemorton would gladly have come to me himself but for the suddenness of his master's departure. He wished to tell me that in his opinion if the King wished to stop such things as were likely to be put forth shortly, no one would be so meet an instrument as Dr. Wilson and that I might help to convey letters by an Italian who often despatches them to Rome. He pretended to deliver this message with fear as

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he had been once reported to the King for putting forth a book against the marriage, which he denies. As I had been informed that he was sent by Pole into Scotland, I said he had been long a stranger in these parts. He replied that the Emperor's council had proposed to prevent their Order resorting to France and that they should choose a head within the Emperor's dominion and the bp. of Rome's legate should dispense with them. This he had been sent to compass by their general, but when it was about to be concluded, cardinal Pole refused the dispensation. He shows himself a benefactor to the bp. of Rome, remaining in hope of a change. Recites his letter to the King. You will see that the King's letter is not of great importance, but I write to show my duty. Bregis, 2 September.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Sept R. O. **636.** JEHAN MOUTON to LORD LISLE.

I send you by the ship of Hugh Coton a guinea cock and hen, as I promised you at Calais. Rouen, Sunday, 2 Sept.

Fr. Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

[3 Sept.] R. O. **637.** SIR THOS. PALMER to LORD LISLE.

The news I have is nothing, but when I have spoken with the King and his Council I shall tell you more. I left Mr. Cary at Rochester. He has promised me billets, and I desired to have "as many as would drye me at London," but he had none to give me. I offered to have carried them behind on my horse, each of my servants carrying a dozen behind him. I beg you to show my fellow Jack a Rydyng how gently Cary has handled me. Cockerell's wife has been with me and thinks she could do much good to my Lady if she might come over. From the Mynerz (Minories) within half an hour after I came aland, at iiij. of clock on Monday at afternoon, and on Tuesday I expect to be with the King's grace.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

3 Sept. R. O. **638.** CHR. HALES to CROMWELL.

By your letters dated Ampthill, 20 August, you desired to have the nomination to supply the place of Lambert, late of the Petty Bag. One of my clerks called Walter, who has been long a writer in the Chancery, hearing from Mr. North that Lambert would surely die, came from London and desired me to grant him the office. I would not do so then, but when he came again to me at Tenterden and informed me of Lambert's death, I promised him the grant: this was on Friday, 17 August. I beg you will be contented with this, and I promise you, as you desired, the first of the Six clerks that shall fall in my time. It will be a better office than this for the man you intend. Hakynton, 3 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

4 Sept. **639.** LORD LISLE.

See GRANTS in SEPTEMBER, No. 3.

4 Sept. R. O. **640.** RICHARD HORE.

Declaration made 4 Sept. 1537, 29 Hen. VIII., by Ric. Hore citizen and leatherseller of London, owner of the good ship the *Valentine*, of London, lately returned from Spain, and now lying freighted in Cogans Pyll, near

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Cardiff, S. Wales, on his personal appearance at Cardiff castle before Henry earl of Worcester, that he is the King's true subject, has committed no offence, and claims to appeal to the King if any wrong be done to him.

Large paper, p. 1. *Endd.*

4 Sept. **641.** Sir Thomas Wh[arton] to Henry VIII.

Calig. B III. 144. B. M.

Affairs in the West Marches committed to him by the King are in good state. Has held meetings for redress according to the ancient laws. All is peaceable except Ledysdale in charge of the lord Maxwell, who has a dispute with Sir John Wederyngton, warden of the Middle Marches. Has a meeting with the former on Wednesday, 5 Sept. Carlisle, 4 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley:* "Wharton to the King's highness."

R. O.

2. Copy of the same headed "The copy of the King's Majesty's letter sent by my brother Christopher, the 4th day of September."

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

4 Sept. **642.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.

Calig. B. III. 131. B. M.

On Thursday, the 30 Aug., met Robt. Maxwell, son and heir of lord Maxwell, at Lochmaben Stone. Redress was given on both sides. Five bills were filed on either side, and made clean as the time served. Made proclamations through the W. Marches for all well-horsed and harnessed with bow or spear to give attendance. Sends copies. They were in two parts (1) to the pensioners, (2) to the other gentry, requiring them to let the Scots see, after the late perplexed world, that neither by those troubles nor by the change of officers was his Majesty's power diminished. Sends copy of a proclamation made on concluding with the Scotsmen before the meeting broke up, which he hopes will inspire wholesome awe. Has the names of all the knights, gentlemen, and officers with their retinues then present, "the gross whereof I have instructed unto my brother this bearer." Desires the King's thanks may be sent them for their services. Advertised the lord Lieutenant* of his proceedings before this, and of his opinion. In the late lord Dacre's day there was a cry "A Dacre, a Dacre," and afterwards "A Clifford, a Clifford," and even then "A Dacre, a Dacre." Now only a "A King, a King." Carlisle, 4th Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* my lord Privy Seal.

4 Sept. **643.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

I have received your letters, and to learn what has been done about the hoy and the wood I immediately sent orders to the Admiral's lieutenant to come to me, and bade him get information about those who had committed the outrage. He has made answer that after procuring information he despatched a commission, at the request of the procureur of the Admiral, by virtue of which the hoy has been delivered into the custody of a burgess of Wissancq, and as to the wood which was in the said hoy, some of it has been found in various houses, for which they who took it and those who had it in their possession were summoned to appear in this town. Jean Broucq the plaintiff was present and by his consent they were liberated on bail to appear on Monday next provided the said Jean Broucq had returned from Zealand, where he was going. As to your long remonstrance that Frenchmen have taken a large number of English subjects at sea, such cases have not come to my knowledge; at all events, of persons under my jurisdiction. Boulogne, 4 Sept. *Signed.*

Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

* The duke of Norfolk.

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4 Sept. **644.** La Rochepot to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have seen your letter to Du Biez stating that those who detain the men of my galleons at Calais will not deliver them unless some Flemings taken by our galleons are sent back, and they threaten to carry my men into Flanders. My galleons arrived three or four days ago, and I have given express orders to Jaques Lomyre, master of the great galleon and Giles de Revelles, captain of the little one, to release the said Flemings. I thank you for the trouble you have taken in the matter. Encre, 4 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

645. John Thompson, Master of the Maison Dieu, to Thos. Bedyll.

R. O. My friends the mayor and jurates of Winchelsea have obtained for me the benefice of St. Thomas there and have been with me at Dover desiring me to take it in order that something might be done by my poor advice for bettering the haven there and the Camber. It may be done, if the lord Privy Seal obtain the King's letters of commission, without cost to the King but yearly advantage of 40*l.* or 50*l.* Stays for Bedyll to send him the lord Privy Seal's pleasure. Dover.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

5 Sept. **646.** Rich. Cromwell to Cromwell.

R. O. Before my coming to Mr. Bedyll's house in Aldersgate Street his woman had sent thither two of his servants, John Pye and John Wager, who have ransacked and conveyed this night so that nothing but bedding, books, &c., remain. I find, however, from Nic. Hewet, his servant, keeping his house in London, that Mr. Bedyll in his life time was conversant with John Raynes, bookseller, John Layland and one Feld. I then called on Raynes to see what money, plate, and jewels Bedyll had left with him and he confessed he had a "gardyvyance" of his, containing plate and gold, of which I send you an account. I have delivered it to the custody of my cousin Williamson in your place by Frere Augustines. The rest that was in the house I have left Father Thacker and John Millesent to make an inventory of. London, 5 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[5 Sept. ?] **647.** Robert Lord to Cromwell.

R. O. As commanded, I delivered 350*l.* to John Walley by the hands of Richard Davy his deputy, who brought your letter to me. About 10 o'clock afterwards, the said John died. Begs Cromwell's favour to obtain for him Whalley's office of comptroller of the Mint, worth but 16*l.* a year. In haste from my poor house this Wednesday at 4 a.m.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* "v^to^ Aug."*

[5 Sept. ?] **648.** Robert Lord to Cromwell.

R. O. This morning since I sent my letter to your Lordship I perceived by Mr. Williamson that you would have me send to Dover to see payment there. I have stayed Ric. Davyd who received the money till I can get some one to go with him, unless you would have William Body to go, or the surveyor of the King's works at Calais, whom I despatched this day, and who has made payment there before in the absence of "the said Whalley." My poor house in London, Wednesday, 8 a.m.

P.S.—I beg to know your pleasure for the sending forward of Ric. Davyd.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The 5th August was not a Wednesday in any year that will suit. Probably the 5th September is the real date, which was a Wednesday in 1537.

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649. S. V.* to CROMWELL.

R. O. "Ensuing the commandment of your Lordship, I have with great pain drawn you a very short draught of the view of the account between the masters of the Mint and us which I do herewith send your Lordship." Mr. Lord has the receipt of the money which the masters paid. If you send Mr. Lord and the masters of the Mint to me, I shall pass your account.

To draw a view, he had first to make a declaration of the "garbell" (sent herewith) as he made of the gold. Hopes Cromwell will remember to the King how painful this has been. Begs his Lordship to return the "declaration of the garbell," for he has so travailed in this account that he thinks he has made an end of it.

P.S.—The masters of the Mint shall have much ado to make this account or else cannot make it: few men in this realm can make it.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal.

5 Sept. **650.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P., v. 104. Since Friday last has been worse than since his sickness at Boulogne when the King was there. Has not eaten this five days the "mowntenaunce" of one good chicken. Has a running at the nose, a great stopping in the breast, and a fervent cough. Babthrobbe and Chaloner, who will be with Cromwell on Sunday, can declare his condition. The countries in his commission are as well ordered as he could wish except Tyndale and Riddesdale, which are under Weddryngton and Carnaby. Must ride to those parts. Weddryngton would do well, but it is not in him. Carnaby is afraid. Wishes they were both in Paradise. Begs my lord of Durham be hastened hither that Norfolk may return by Michaelmas. Ric. Gresham at his coming will tell Cromwell what country and house this is for an old man in winter. My lord of Durham and Bowes can advise him about Tyndale and Riddesdale. If the king of Scots will do half what his ambassador promises Norfolk will take such a leave of Northumberland that malefactors will not desire his return. Expects daily an answer from James. He has lately taken 7 or 8 more of Angus' friends, among them the lord of Dawewisse taken by John Home of Wedderburne, Angus' man. If the King of Scots will do well, the sooner Angus and his brother are recalled from the Borders the better. Has made a final end with Gresham and his adversaries. Has made a full agreement with Sir Henry Savyll and all his neighbours and his sisters. Knows no variance between gentlemen in this country which he has not reconciled except between Wilstrope and Stapleton for the wardship, in which he will follow Cromwell's letter. Begs licence to return after Michaelmas day. Sherifhutton, 5 Sept.

Added in his own hand. Begs to know by bearer if he may truss up and send hence his household stuff after his departure towards Newcastle. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

651. BISHOP TUNSTALL.

R. O. "Considerations wherefor the bishop of Duresme is not meet to be the president of the Council in the North."

1. He is in hate with the people of the North. Whatever justice is done there will be attributed to his revenge, and this will create a grudge against the King. 2. He has no house in Yorkshire or out of the Bishopric suitable to keep house upon, and the houses of the Bishopric cannot be soon repaired of the damage late done to them. 3. If he had a house in Yorkshire he has no stuff to furnish it with. 4. He is unprovided with carts, horses, and stores. 5. The countrymen are accustomed, when they resort where house is kept, to

* Stephen Vaughan.

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have meat and drink; "and if suitors should not find any recule, which the said bishop is not yet able to furnish as appertaineth," it might cause the King's authority among wild people to be despised. 6. He has no money to supply these defects in brief time. 7. He would have no power to punish disobedience. 8. He is so old, he would be better occupied preaching and teaching in his diocese.

He therefore beseeches the King not to appoint him to such a post and he will be ready at the King's commandment to give his attendance, when required, on whoever else may be appointed.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

652. BISHOP TUNSTALL.

R. O. "A letter to my l. of Norfolk for pledges of Tyndal.
"A letter to the dean of Yorke for his house, as it is furnished.
"For our instructions of privy seals in the North.
"For sitting in the Bishopric.
"For the King's signet or seal.
"For our commissions to be made with clauses.
"For my departing.
"For the earl of Westmoreland and R. Boys."

P. 1. *In Tunstall's hand. Endd.:* "A remembrance or my lord of Duresme."

5 Sept. **653.** SIR THOMAS WENTWORTH to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letters desiring to know what sums will substantially repair Carlisle Castle. Thinks it will cost over 1,000*l.*, it is so ruinous. Begs Cromwell will appoint one of the King's servants to view it. No repairs of stonework can be made this year except the gates and the bridge going down into the inner ward, for which he wishes 100*l.* or 200 mks. sent. 5 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

5 Sept. **654.** SIR ROBT. WYNGFELD and LADY JANE CLYNTON to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Having heard this morning that the King has given a red deer to lord Lisle and to John Wyngfeld, they send the bearer for part of it. Though not so near lady Lisle as formerly, they pray for her and speak of her many times. "Our Lord . . . . make your ladyship a glad mother." At our manor of Mowntfesaunt in Peeplynge, 5 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

In Wyngfeld's hand, p. 1. *Add.*

5 Sept. **655.** SIR ROBT. WYNGFELD to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Has received her answer to the letter sent by him and lady Clinton this morning in consequence of what her servant told his folks at Calais. However, the truth being as she writes, thanks her for what she has sent. When his red deer's flesh comes in season, baken or unbaken, lady Lisle shall have a part. Peeplynge, 5 Sept. 1537.

The bearer will give their recommendation by mouth to Mrs. Reygnolds.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

[5 Sept.] **656.** ITALIAN NEWS.

Vit. B. XIV. 251. B. M. "Quæ superioribus diebus de rerum Italicarum statu . . . . . literis per Flandriam huc delatis, ea memorantur ii . . . . . quas nuper accepi Romæ scriptas a D. Francisco Ca . . . . [die] vj. Augusti. Ex quibus,

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ne omnia, quæ jam sunt nota . . . . . tantummodo pauca quædam huc transferenda existim. . . . . illud in primis, quod ferme totidem verbis scriptum e[st].

"Cæsariani nonnihil suspicantur, inter Pontificem et Gallo[s] . . . . . convenire, ita ut is conspirationis quæ inter Gallos et [Turcas] inita esse creditur, conscius et particeps sit. Insuper qu . . . . . xxv. millia aureorum, quæ in singulos menses promissa s[unt propter] hoc bellum Turcicum, Pontificem nondum persolvenda c . . . . Præterea Cæsaris rebus timent ab his militibus, qui Romæ [commo]rantur. Quinetiam verebantur ne Florentini exules data . . . . . ac ex eodem Pontificis et Gallorum consilio in præsentia c . . . . contraxissent. Ideoque hac Cæsarianorum mlitum victoria [super] exulibus reportata mirum in modum gavisi sunt. De co . . . . . autem conspirationis cum Turcis peractæ, putant, primo [Clemen]tem vij. Massiliæ factum fuisse participem, deinde id ips[um] . . . Paulo Pontifici patefactum et communicatum esse. Ponti[fex] quidem post ea quæ nuntiata sunt de Barbarussæ et Vene[torum] triremium certamine, misit ad Venetos hortandos ut be[llum] contra Turcas aperte jam suscipere velint. Nam ex re . . . . . magnam spem omnes cepisse videntur, Venetos commune n[egotium] amplexaturos, quos tamen crediderim potius quæsitu-[ros] pacem cum Turca quam bellum.

"Galli in Lombardia Albam ceperunt, quæ civitas eo loco . . . . . ut ab ea Savonam transitus sit. Quapropter dubitatum . . . . . fuit, ne, si vera sunt quæ de Gallis et Turcis loquuntu[r . . . . . eod]em tempore Gallorum exercitus Savonam, et classis Turcarum ad oram Genuensium accederet. Galli itaque Albæ morantur, quorum vires satis validæ illic esse dicuntur. Contra Cæsaris res in Lombardia perturbatiores sunt. Nam diu est, ex quo Hispanorum pars secessit, neque ullo pacto vult obediens esse imperio Marchionis Vasti. Quinetiam manus ab amicis non continet, et tentat, si valeat aliquam civitatem ex subjectis Cæsaris ditioni occupare.

"Decem Germanorum millia in Italiam venire dicuntur in subsidium Cæsari; cui quidem nunc est adeo magnus militum numerus in Sicilia, in regno Neapolis, in Lombardia, ut multis formidini esse possit.

"De rebus Hungaricis hoc tantum habeo, quod episcopus Quinque Ecclesiarum ultimo die Maii ad me scripsit, ipsum scilicet episcopum tunc temporis fuisse una cum Archiepiscopo Lundense Regis Romanorum Legato, et de pace componenda inter ipsos agi. Cæterum verebatur, ne interim Hungari et Regis Romanorum exercitus confligerent, propterea quod propinqui admodum forent."

Mutilated. Endd.: Nova quædam. *Modern note in margin before the Fire:* 1537, quære. 5 September, Romæ.

6 Sept. R. O. **657.** Sir William Parre to Wriothesley.

According to your token received by my lord of Bangor's chaplain, I wrote to Mr. Hasilwood in his favour. Of late I wrote to my lord Privy Seal for the stewardship and receivership of the late lord Hussey's lands and also those of Barlings and Cristed. Pray inform me what he means to do. Horton, 6 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Right Worshipful. *Endd.*

6 Sept. R. O. **658.** Edw. Archbishop of York, to Cromwell.

Thanks him for preferring his registrar, the bearer, to a receivership in this country, and desires credence for him on the writer's behalf. Dr. Cave's proctor, who came with Cromwell's letters, 6 Sept., was sped forthwith, and finds a barn well stored towards his first fruits. Cawod, 6 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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6 Sept. **659.** TRISTRAM TESHE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks Cromwell to remember the office of the receipt of attainted lands in the North which the King gave him. Lawson is making suit for the same office. Has asked him to give it up, but he intends to prosecute it. Desires credence for Mr. Chaloner. York, 6 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Sept. **660.** CROMWELL to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Thanks him for his letters and favour to the drum whom Cromwell has so frequently recommended; also for his kindness to Master Leighe, and as the Marshal is so honestly minded, hopes all unkindness between him and Lisle will be forgotten. Has heard Sir Thos. Palmer, and considering the "auncienty" and good service of Wingfield, desires he may have all the favour he can, so long as it does not affect the strength of the town. Trusts both Wingfield and the poor men will be satisfied with proper compensation. Mortlake, 7 Sept. *Signed.*

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Add. Endd:* My lord Privy Seallis; *and in Lisle's hand:* Morgan and Staffe carteris.

[7 Sept.] **661.** SIR THOS. PALMER to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have made your recommendations to the King, who asked heartily how you did, and my Lady. He asked when my lord Chamberlain was coming over. I said he waited to know his Grace's pleasure. He made me a gentle welcome. He came out of his way from my lord Privy Seal and took me by the hand and said I was welcome. After dinner the same day I spake with him for an hour together, and, most part, of our "marez" (marsh). He will have it "marez" whatever it cost him. To-morrow I must be at the Court and show him a platt concerning the "marez" and likewise my book of articles, which I showed your Lordship. My lord Privy Seal is so good lord to me that he has promised I shall have my fare before I go. Notwithstanding, within an hour of our first meeting "he began to triumph and swore by God's blood we were all papists and lacked throughout our syigns (?), and I sware by God's heart it was not so, in so much that I am sure he that was a stone's cast off might hear us. Notwithstanding, on my faith, he declared unto me or we parted that he meant neither you nor me, but by God's blood he put me in furor, I tell you; and after this I made Mr. William Marches (?) recommendations, who took them well, declaring that he was the falsest knave within England, and called Mr. Pollarde (?) to him and bade him send back again for the commission, trusting to set that matter better than Mr. Marche woll."

I told my lord Privy Seal that you and my Lady had great displeasure for the Surveyor's wife. He told me that in case the Surveyor had showed him that he would have married, he would have gotten him a wife who should have spent 100*l.* a year and worth 1,000*l.* He is as sorry for it as Mr. Marshal is. My lord Admiral asked how we liked his letter. Told him I saw it not. He said he would never consent to break one tittle of the Acts. Told him that concerning the tenements under 10*l.* must be a long time before it is brought to pass. He would make no answer, but I will commune better with him. You are much bound to my lord Privy Seal, and I told him you were wholly his. He said that when he wrote what did not please you it was from good will, that the King might find no fault in you, with many other kind words, which I will shew you at my coming, which will be shortly. My lady Caro recommends her heartily to your Lordship and my Lady, and also Mr. Hennege, Mr. Russell, Mr. Knevet, Mr. Sadler, and others. Recommend me to my Lady, Mr. Mayor, Mr. Surveyor, and Mr. Rokewodd,

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661. Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle—*cont.*

I will not make my abode here long, for it costs a ryall a day, and money comes slowly. This Lady Even† at Meners (Minories).

If you write not to me, you shall have no more letters till I come myself. I would gladly know how lady Walopp and Pickering doth. I will part from the King within eight days. I met the King at Bennington (Beddington) at the Master of the Horse's, so the Queen was not there, and I have not made your recommendations, which I will do to-morrow.

This matter that my Lord was angry for was for these two priests.‡ I told him that you and I both consented that one of them should be hanged at Calais, if he had not sent for them, so he said he shall be sent back again to be hanged at Calais. I told him I knew no man but would be glad of it. The other I told him was but an innocent person, and he said he was a false hypocrite knave. Let no man see this letter but my Lady and Mr. Surveyor, who shall be one of my commissioners for Dekelande and other matters of which he and I communed at London. The King will have a better search of purchase land about Calais.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Deputy of Calais.

7 Sept. **662.** John Bishop of Lincoln to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received a ring by your servant, with knowledge of your pleasure touching the prebend of Mylton. I gave the 'vowson over 12 months past to my chaplain, Mr. Robertson,§ who has long served me. I beg he may have it, and you shall have at this time a prebend of 20*l.* to bestow on a priest whom it shall please you. Bukden, 7 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Sept. **663.** Sir William Weston, Grand Prior of England, to Sir Thomas Dyngle.

Otho C. ix. 194. B. M. "* * vostre de par vostre serviteur ne . . . . . m saw laquelle jay bien entendue un . . . . . scavoir que Des Ruyaulx (?) et Soutton et Ambro[se] Cave trouvarent façon avecques Monsieur [du] Prive Seel que le Roy et le dit Prive Seel ont escript a Monsieur le Grant Maistre et l[a] Religion que si le Grant Maistre mort n[aurons] poinct dauctorite de vous donner la comman[derie] que ledict Roy est comptant quelle soye mis[e] a la justice. Pourtant je vous advise que [vous] serchies voz amys le myeulx que vous pouv[es]. Mon frere ma dit cecy propre que je vous esc[rips]." Desires commendations to a nephew and niece. Soutton, 7 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add.:* [To] me neve Sir Thom[as D]yngle.

8 Sept. **664.** Thomas Pope to Cromwell.

R. O. Since the death of Mr. Pexsall I consider I have had thereby some benefit, which has persuaded me not yet to move the King for augmentation of my fee. But I am minded to make suit to his Grace to sell me the residue of the priory‖ I had in exchange for Ricards Castle, &c. I beg your furtherance and good word, and credence for my friend Mr. Solicitor, this bearer. Putney, 8 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

† The Nativity of Our Lady is the 8th Sept.
‡ William Mynsterley and Wm. Richard. § Thomas Robertson.
‖ Priory of Chacombe, Ntht. *See* Grants in February 1537, No. 19.

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8 Sept. **665.** JOHN EARL OF OXFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends examinations by himself "against one Thomas Nevell, esquire, and one of the brethren of the lord Latimer," concerning words spoken by him of the King. Desires instructions what to do further. Nevell dwells within four miles of the Earl's house, and has no knowledge of the depositions against him. Thanks Cromwell for his news and credence by Will. Harres. 8 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Depositions of John à Brotherton, servant to Ric. Antony, servant to John de Veer earl of Oxford, taken before the said earl 2 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII., concerning words spoken by Margaret Towler, widow, servant to the parson of Aldham, Essex. That on Wed. after the Visitn. of Our Lady last when the said parson was in the Earl's keeping she asked Thomas Nevill, of Aldham, whether her master should be put to death upon a false wretch's saying, and he replied, "No, Marget, he shall not be put to death, for he hath no lands nor goods to lose; but if he were other a knight or a lord that had lands or goods to lose, then he should lose his life." This she told to John Shelton, of Aldenham and John Newton, husbandman at Earl's Colne. She also reported that Nevill, whose brother the earl had sent up to London, had said to his wife, "Alas, Mary, my brother is cast away," and again, "By God's blood, if I had the King here I would make him that he should never take man into the Tower."

ii. Deposition of Margaret Towler, confirming the preceding.

iii. Of Robert Colt, John Shelton, and John Newton, each confirming the first conversation.

Pp. 4. *Endd.*

8 Sept. **666.** JAMES V. to NORFOLK.

R. O. Has received his letters, dated at Sheriffhutton, 27 Aug., touching
St. P. v. 106. restitution of rebels and redress to be made by them of Liddesdale, and referring to the further advertisement of the abbot of Arbroath. Having just returned from France, has been informed by his Council of the complaints about fugitives and rebels. Has made inquiry and given strict orders to the wardens. Will cause Maxwell to make redress for Liddesdale. Thinks the Debateable Ground may be divided to the ease of both realms, but must refer the matter to his Parliament, which he will hold shortly. Ruben in Badzenauch, 8 Sept. 24 James V. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

9 Sept. **667.** LORD CHANCELLOR AUDELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. This Sunday morning received letters from the earl of Oxenford with a book containing examinations for words spoken by Thos. Nevell about the King. Some of the words, of which there is no witness but one woman, seem to be treason, but he doubts whether the rest, to which there are two witnesses, are treason, but they sound very slanderous towards the King. As the Earl has sent Cromwell letters and another book of the examination, will not send for Nevell till he has Cromwell's opinion. Asks him to send an answer by the Earl's servant. The Olde Foorde, 9 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[9 Sept. ?] **668.** HERRY POLSTED to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks him to help Antony Ager to the office which Mr. Whalley had at Dover. Perceives by the bearer, John Antony, that Cromwell had already had him in remembrance. Has [no] doubt Ager will fill the office

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to Cromwell's content, and put in good sureties for the handling of the King's treasure.

Dr. Peter and Polsted were yesterday with Mr. Knight, and tomorrow will inform Cromwell of their proceedings. The Rolls, Sunday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord my Master. *Endd.*

9 Sept. **669.** THOMAS THACKER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends a packet of letters delivered by William Bore, of London, haberdasher, to whom they were sent from the Mart in a dry "ffatte" among his wares. Household all well. Your Lordship's place at London, 9 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Sept. **670.** CASTILLON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Some time ago the King's ships took four French vessels. The lord Privy Seal and the Admiral promised that they should be despatched last week, but Castillon hears nothing of it. Requests speedy justice. London, 9 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

French, p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

[9 Sept.] **671.** SIR WM. FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received today letters for the King and himself from the French ambassador, which he encloses. Consulting with the King about the matter, found him both wisely and princely determined, as he will show Cromwell to-morrow. The King wishes Cromwell to send for the ambassador to-morrow. Will be with Cromwell at 10 o'clock, and asks when he shall find him. Hasshar (Esher), Sunday.

Thinks Mr. Dudlay and Mr. Coro (Carew), with Gonson, should be with Cromwell to-morrow.

"Thow King raymofes hon Teusday to Hamton Court."*

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* My lord Admiral the vj. of Septembre.

9 Sept. **672.** HARRY ATTKYNSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Gives an account of the reason of his being committed to prison in the convict house at Westminster by Webe. Was asked the following question by one Morys Bulle, sanctuary man:—"There was a man rode by the way and a fair wench behind him, and a king met him and said unto him, Wilt thou never be without such pretty carriage? and so took the wench from him and had his pleasure of her, and thus he said the King lived in adultery. What is he worthy to have that thus reports of a King?" Answered that anyone who speaks slander of a king is worthy of punishment, and those who conceal it are worthy of the same punishment, for kings ought to be obeyed in all things, the Faith only reserved; in all other causes princes have power over men to punish their bodies and take their lives, their wives, their children, and their goods; advised him therefore to tell some of the King's council. Upon this he told Attkynson who spoke these words, and afterwards told Guydolfyn, Cromwell's servant. Webe then came to take the men to prison, with his sword drawn, in the most cruel manner, and has laid them in irons, threatening to hang them. Said that Webe had won his spurs now, and for this he has put him in the convict house with orders that no one shall speak to him. Asks that he may come to his answer, and also that those who first uttered the matter to the abbot may be examined. Westm., in the convict house, 9 Sept.

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* The King removed from Esher to Hampton Court on Tuesday, 11 Sept. 1537.

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9 Sept. **673.** Roger Wigston and Others to Cromwell.

See Vol. XI., No. 431, which must be of the year 1537; as also is No. 432 (John Wetwod to Cromwell) on the same subject.

10 Sept. **674.** John Abbot of Whitby to Cromwell.

R. O. Received Cromwell's letters before Midsummer last in favour of Gregory Conyers for a grant, to him and his heirs, of all the monastery lands in Ryswarpe and Whitbye, of not more than 13*l.* yearly value, at a yearly rent. The abbot and his brethren were willing to do so; but they hear from their learned counsel that their grant would be good whilst Conyers' grant of rent would be void without the King's licence. Credence for the prior of the house, the bearer, who shall also deliver "a poor token of remembrance." Whitby, 10 Sept.

Hol.,* *p.* 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Sept. **675.** Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Commend me to your husband. I have received your letter and thank you for your great benevolence both to Madame de Riou and to me, for which I pray my spouse Jesus, for whose love I have left the world, to reward you. If I thought to do you pleasure, I would rather have waited and sent you a proper message, but when I wrote to you I had received news by two of our *religieuses* of St. Pol, who have been destroyed in these wars and who had been with Madame de Riou, and were charged by her to tell me how she desired to speak with me, and wished me very much to come to her. But as the truce was not yet published, I determined not to go there, but to inform her by these *religieuses* that, "du jour a lendemaig que le bon [tam]s viendroet," I would set out to visit her; and by the same I made your recommendations to her. But I did not move till the publication of the said truce, and though I brought no letter from you, I did my little *devoir* as reason required.

You write to ask me to declare the secrets about the "pauvres gens," and that you will gladly mediate for them, for which I thank you; but I did not mean to speak of any temporal poverty, but of some spiritual need. I beg, from a belief that God will refuse you nothing, that you will ask of Him, for I trust you are founded in true charity. As I confide entirely in you, I may tell you privately that Madame de Riou bears as much grief in her heart as any lady in France of such noble blood and of so great a house. She has 15,000 [livres ?] of rent, and has had several advisers, who, after getting their perverse counsel put in execution, show daily that they have only sought her property; for Mons. de Riou was a very poor gentleman of a great house, and Madame de Bours, his sister, even during the life of the late Mons. de Pontderemy, frequented the house very much: "car madame luy avoet leve ung enffant a maditte dame de Bours apres le treppas de le desu nomme Mons. du Pont de Remy fort cauteleusement." Madame de Bours wished to persuade the good widow to take in marriage her brother De Riou. She being young and willing, took him, to the regret of all her own relations, for she might have had alliance with two "grand mettres," of whom one could spend 20,000 [livres] of rent, the other 30,000. I cannot tell the grief I felt for the three weeks I was with her, for she told me so much of her sorrow that I could not refrain from shedding tears along with her; yet I am greatly surprised how she has had of this second marriage as many as 12 children, while suffering this affliction. For one day, Monsieur broke up (*enfondra*) a large coffer which had belonged to Mons. de Saveuses, the

* But not in his own hand.

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father of Madame, which was full of fine plate. He made her play on a table at dice for 14,000 "valisant" one afternoon, besides many other follies and great gifts which he makes to his near relations, without any care for his children. The good lady, considering the great charge of six little children, the eldest of whom is but 10 years old, and that all they can inherit comes only from her, is vexed to see daily so pitifully wasted the large property her father had left to her. During the 12 years she has been married to him, he has diminished her property by more than 50,000, for in her youth scarcely a gentlewoman of her sort could have been found in France; and if she wished to return to some of her relations, she finds neither fidelity nor help of good counsel. I beg you therefore to help her, for she complains to me that she knows not to whom to turn, but since your last letter I have determined to apply to you. If the said seigneur cannot be restrained in his prodigality, I fear she will be obliged hereafter to sell her lands. Madame, I give you much trouble, and particularly your good secretary, but I am impelled by the confidence of obtaining some good counsel from you. I beg that this affair may not be further divulged. I am glad the little bit of unicorn's horn is satisfactory. It might be chased in silver like a button, with a little chain attached. Dunkirk, 10 September.

Hol. Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

11 Sept. R. O. **676.** Sir Thos. Palmer to [Lord Lisle].

My lord Privy Seal has promised to have your daughters in remembrance, both to the King and Queen, and I shall not fail to call upon him for them. I find him very gentle and familiar. He treats me as if I were a great man. He killed a great buck and sent it to my lodging, and next day sent me a pasty of a "stake" (stag), and another day he sent me another pasty of a "stake," which I sent to your lordship. My lord sent me so much venison that I told him I came for no venison, and prayed him to remember me otherwise, "and if he do not, by God's body, he shall hear of it." If you are writing to my lord Privy Seal, I beg you to desire him, at the end of your letter, to send me home. According to your desire I have remembered Russell to my lord Privy Seal. I think he will be hanged if it be not for the sake of his wife and children. I wish you heard all that passed between my lord and me touching your Lordship. I promise you he often assured me that as long as the King and he live together you shall be the King's deputy at Calais, in spite of all who would say to the contrary. I pray you write to have me home, "for I have two days to speak with your [lordship]." I think my Lord will show you that I have declared of your lordship nothing to your hindrance. He said you would spend well. I told him a man that kept such a house could be no sparer. I showed him "that we hanged all upon you," and that you feasted all strangers for the King's honour, and I was sure the best duke in England could do no more. You wrote that the knave Broke would not suffer you to send out two barrels of beer (?). I would you had given him a broken palett (pate?) and that it had cost me the best horse in my stable, or else I pray God I be hanged in the market of Calais. London, 11 Sept.

P.S.—I would fain be at home as I have more suitors than any lord I see, except my lord Privy Seal. "By God's body I am ashamed on them, for so many waiters and so bare a master, I think, came not to London this 20 year." Commend me to my lady, Mr. Mayor, and Mr. Surveyor. I pray you send my lord another partridge pasty, for he said it was the best that ever he ate.

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[11 Sept.] **677.** CHR. HALES to CROMWELL.

R. O. The master of the Maison Dieu of Dover is dead,* and I beg you to be good lord to the bearer, Sir Peter Baker, that he may succeed him. He has been long with me, and is both my kinsman and godson. I hear also of the death of Mr. Bedyll. Hakynton, Tuesday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Keeper of the Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* 12 Septembris.

11 Sept. **678.** JOHN BISHOP OF LINCOLN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have required the surrender of this prebend of Master Robertson,† who, knowing it to be your pleasure, gave it at once; to whom "I beseche you to be good lord." I send "a collation of the said prebend with a wyndowe." The letters you write of, sent me twelve months ago, never came to my hands.

I beseech you that the ferme of this prebend, given out by Master Bedyll under his seal and writing, may stand. The holder gave 40*l.* in a fine for it. He has married the sister of John Pate, your servant. His harvest is in and his cattle on the ground, so unless allowed to enjoy his lease he will be undone. Lydyngton, 11 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add:* "Lord Privy Seal." *Endd.*

11 Sept. **679.** EDW. ABP. OF YORK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends by bearer the presentation to the prebend of Massham with a glass window as the King desired. Hopes it will be bestowed on one who can keep residence, for no church has more need of residentiaries. If Mr. Beddle had had any other promotion of my gift I would have sent it too. Cawood, 11 Sept. 1537. *Signed*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Sept. **680.** FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 564. On his arrival here last night showed the King the order taken by Cromwell with the French ambassador. The King at first said he had been informed by Sir John Dudley that the two French ships were pirates, who came to Portsmouth to rob his subjects, but I showed him there was no proof of it, and the ambassador declared they had discharged their cargo at St. Wallerie's, in the Somme, and were driven to the Wight by foul weather; —also that they had rescued an Englishman chased by a Spaniard. Told the King also they had satisfied the ambassador that there was good reason to detain the other two; so that the King in the end was pleased. He thanked Cromwell for his pears, and desired to have more. On Sunday next the Queen will take her chamber.

The King wishes one of Mr. Bedell's benefices, if any more remain, for a priest who makes his hawks fly. Hampton Court, Wednesday, 12 Sept. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* A false report, for he lived till 1544, and surrendered his house that year, but the report of Bedyll's death was correct. It may have been that the news of Whalley's death about the same time was misunderstood by some reporter as that of the Master of the Maison Dieu.

† Thomas Robertson, who held different stalls at Lincoln at various times from 1533 to 1547. He is stated to have been admitted prebendary of Gretton 29 March 1536, and to have quitted it for Cropredy in 1541–2.

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13 Sept. R. O. **681.** Sir William Fitzwilliam to Lord Lisle.

Thanks him for the wild swine. And whereas I wrote that I had not received the same, I must cry you mercy. It was delivered at my house at Cowdrey six weeks before I had notice of it. I have sent a buck for you to Sabbys keye. Guildford, 13 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

13 Sept. R. O. **682.** Loys Ferrers, Abbot of Wymondham, to Cromwell.

Has received his answer to their letter, and perceives he is informed that the whole lordship of Happisburge has been let to farm in times past, and that hospitality was better maintained than now. Only the demesnes, farm lands, and the parsonage have been let, the rent of assize, leet fee, perquisites of courts, with other profits, remaining continually in the abbot's hands. Is sure that hospitality is better maintained, both for rich and poor, than it was when the demesnes of Happisburge were let, which is about 30 years since, for all the "muttons" they spend yearly are fed there. Have no other pasture in their hands. When it was let they had three "follde coerses" in the precinct of the town of Wyndham, which are let for many years by abbot Bramford. If they grant this also, will be compelled to sell their sheep and buy mutton in the market. Ask him rather to tender the maintenance and profit of a multitude than the particular commodity and preferment of this one person, Wm. Clifton. 13 Sept., with the consent of the convent of Wyndham.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Sealed. Endd.*

13 Sept. R. O. **683.** John Bp. of Bath to Cromwell.

This morning I received your letter declaring the King's pleasure about Master Bedyll's prebend, and accordingly send a collation thereof, leaving the name blank. Please inform the King how willing I am to accomplish his pleasure. "And, therefore, my singular good Lord, in my heart, here even upon my bare knees, lifting up my hands *etiam cum lachrimis* in my most humble manner, and as earnestly as I can, I beseech your good Lordship to continue still my good lord," and be no less faithful minister for me to the King than you were at my last being at London, to my great comfort. Banwell, 13 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

13 Sept. R. O. **684.** Edw. Abp. of York to Cromwell.

Perceives by Cromwell's letters by Master Clifton, chaplain to the late bp. of Carlisle, that the King wishes him to release the sequestration made of the said bp.'s goods within his province. Has twice written that the bp.'s executors have not yet come to prove his testament except before my lord of Canterbury, who admits, notwithstanding what Sir John Dawncye says, that it was only for the goods in his province; and this was confirmed by my lords of Durham and Bath. Would do injustice and run in danger of the statute if he released sequestration before the executors have taken administration. Cawood, 13 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

685. [Lady Lisle to Will. le Gras.]

R. O. I take the opportunity of this bearer to express my regret that it is so long since I heard from you. I wrote to you twice some days ago for half a dozen hats such as the French ladies wear, and for some crapes; and also to know what I have to pay for the crapes and taffetas you last sent. But I have had no answer.

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686. [Lady Lisle to Will. le Gras.]

R. O. Monsieur, I had written to you to send me another half dozen of "crespins," and as many hats, such as the ladies wear in France, for now the ladies here follow the French fashion, but since I received the crespins you sent, with the white taffeta of my Lord, I have had no news from you. I therefore write again to ask for half a dozen more of the same sort, and one dozen of cheap crespins for my daughters; also half a dozen ladies' hats, three of them to be lined with velvet, and the other three with silk, and one more with gold, making seven in all.

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13 Sept. **687.** Guillaume le Gras to Lord Lisle.

R. O. The bearer has given me your letter, and as he is returning, I write to let you know that your son James is well and studies with good will. If he were sent to live at the college with the man whom he has to look after him, he would be a good grammarian in two years. He would profit much more there than elsewhere. It will be bad for him to go from my house to the college this winter, as it is a long way. I shall be glad to know your pleasure about it. I do not expect to be at Calais (*par dela*) this herring season, but I will send you the two swords with velvet scabbords, which you desire. I wish to know whether the ornaments shall be gilt or black. I will also send Madame the crapes for which she asks. Rouen, 13 Sept. 1537.

Hol., Fr. p. 1 *Add. Endd.:* R. xxviij°.

14 Sept. **688.** Thomas Thacker to Cromwell.

R. O. Encloses the copy of Richard Hawtreyll's bill mentioned in his last letter, which was by negligence left out. At your place of the Rolls, 14 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Sept. **689.** Sir John Aleyn, Alderman, to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for his goodness at his last being with him, and or promising to speak to the King in his behalf, continuing his goodness in Aleyn's old age and daily increase of diseases. Cromwell shall have Redehouse at his own proffer and Stooke upon Tierne better cheap than any other, though many are desirous of it. Asks if he wishes to have any other lordships mentioned in the bill he showed Cromwell. London, 14 Sept. 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

14 Sept. **690.** Sir John Fitzjames to Cromwell.

R. O. Lately a servant of Sir John Seyntlow's showed him that the King was miscontent that no assize was held in Devon or Cornwall this last time. Was somewhat troubled with his old disease, and desired his fellow to ride to Devon and Cornwall for this circuit. But when he came to Kyrton, they began to die, and both the gentlemen of the country and the sheriff of Cornwell asked him to adjourn the assize as they were dying fast at Launceston; so he returned home.

Could not adjourn them to any other place within the shire; for as all *nisi prius* have their day and place given them at Westminster, so likewise in commissions of gaol delivery, the place where they must be executed, is limited. Asks him to tell this to the King. Redliche, 14 Sept. *Signed.*

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14 Sept. **691.** NICHOLZ LONGMED to CROMWELL.

R. O. This bringer has received a privy seal to appear before the King and Council. He does not know the cause, but supposes it is for a business between the masters of divers Flemish ships and the purser of my lord Admiral's ship. This bringer is an honest man, and was mayor of Dartmouth this last year, in which office he did good service when the French King's galleass and galleon would have "fet" out of our port two Flemish ships, as we wrote to your Lordship. I beg your favour for him, and that he may have a commission to certain gentlemen nigh here who were present at the said business to see the peace kept, and I doubt not he will clear himself and have thanks of my lord Admiral for saving his purser's life. *At head:* Dartmouth, 14 September.

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14 Sept. **692.** THE BAILIFFS AND ALDERMEN OF WORCESTER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have received his letter concerning Thos. Grene, touching the office of town clerk. Half a year ago Robt. Newdycke, late town clerk, died, after whose death, Thos. Hyll, of Gray's Inn, late one of their citizens of the Parliament was chosen, and uses himself lawfully and like a learned man. So long as he demeans himself discreetly, the office will not be void. This is the custom in the case of the recorder, town clerk, and serjeant. Are not minded to put him out of office unless Cromwell commands to the contrary, and desire his favour for him. Worcester, 14 Sept.

Signed by Humfrey Burneford and Wyllyame Robynson, bailiffs,* Robarte Leyddyngton and Roger Ward, aldermen, "and their bretheryn."

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Sept. **693.** NICHOLAS WENTWORTH, THOMAS BROKESBY, and WILLIAM WOGAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. About Shrovetide last, Cromwell's servant Edward Gyffard, who had suffered wrongs of one Edward Blood, required the writers to examine into the demeanour of both. This done, it appeared Blood had misdemeaned himself against divers. Blood, when summoned by one of the writers, being custos of the peace, refused to appear; and now of late has so behaved that there is like to be manslaughter. 14 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 Sept. **694.** RIC. ABYNGDON, Mayor of Bristol, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Before the receipt of your letter, Domingo and Francisco de Sovieta were bound in sufficient sureties to appear before the Council when required, and also to be ready to produce the mariners who came in their ships. An inventory has been taken of the goods in the ships, which have been put in safeguard. Send a duplicate, and examinations of the mariners. Bristol, 15 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

15 Sept. **695.** DUKE OF NORFOLK to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Came to Newcastle yesterday, and received letters from the king and queen of Scotland, which he sends with these.

Tyndale and Redesdale are far out of order, and will be till other men have the rule. Will sit upon *oier determiner* on Monday and Tuesday. The number of those who shall suffer is not much under a dozen, but many more might have suffered if the officers had been as quick in taking thieves as they

* They were bailiffs in 1536–7 according to Nash (Hist. of Worcestershire).

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should have been. Carnabe has not taken one since he was officer; he is too much afraid of being hurt himself. The other, when he has taken any, lets them go upon sureties. No restitution is made for spoils committed during the rebellion. Does not expect to be able to depart for a fortnight. If the king of Scots will perform his promise, Tyndale will be the easier to bring to good order. Asks the King's pleasure about the Queen's letter. Sends Thos. Cary to tell the King the state of the country. Asks that the bp. of Durham may be sent here before he departs. Newcastle, 15 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

15 Sept. **696.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. v. 107.

Sends Thomas Cary to the King with letters and instructions. Is sorry to write so sore against Weddrington and Carnaby, and to see so few good persons to supply their rooms. My lord of Westmoreland, Sir Thomas Tempest, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Wm. Evers, Sir Ralph Ellerker and Wodall are privy to what he writes. Would like my lord of Durham to be here before his departure, which will not be till a fortnight, unless he see better order. Babthropp and Chaloner have no doubt shown the proposal of Sir Thomas Tempest for lord Dacre to have the rule of Tyndale. Finds that Dacre, who is now here, would rather lose a finger of each hand. Must defer sending the inventory of the stuff at Sheriff Hutton, which the King has lent to my lord of Durham, till he returns from Newcastle. Has examined the witnesses brought by Wilstroppe to prove Stapleton to be within age, and also those who would prove the contrary, and sends their depositions. Can find little for Wilstroppe's purpose. Has news from Scotland, which he knows to be partly true, that the friends of Angus are daily put in prison, and that those who have lands will suffer at next Parliament, and those who have little shall refuse the name of Douglas, and be called Stewards. Never was king so ill-beloved. My lord of Westmoreland tells him of a letter he writes to Cromwell. He put Henry Evers from him when his servant George Smith came from Cromwell, and will not take him again except by Cromwell's order. Newcastle, 15 Sept.

Sealed. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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2. Instructions to Thomas Cary, to be declared to the King and Council.

1. To show the state of Tyndale and Riddesdale, and what opinion the gentlemen and commons have of Carnaby. 2. To show the slackness of Sir John Wedrington in taking of thieves, and how when taken he lets them depart on sureties, especially one Thomas Pott, called Stringham, and the four Fosters. 3. That envy and malice reign more in Nthld. than ever, "to the amending whereof I shall do my best." 4. That, in my opinion and that of the Council here, Ric. Maners should be vice-warden for Riddesdale, wherein I sent my opinion by Babthropp and Chaloner. 5. That for Tyndale we think Carnaby will never serve, and whoever has the rule there, should also have that of Hexham and Langley, for he must lie at Hexham till Tarset Hall or Wark in Tyndale be built. 6. That the man most meet to serve there is either Sir Thomas Hilton or Thomas Dacre, bastard brother of lord Dacre. The former is young and lusty, of good wit, and can spend 500 marks a year. He is of kin to many gentlemen of Nthld., and has a lordship adjoining Tyndale, called Austeyne More, from which he can shortly have 100 good men to help him. The latter is a quick, sharp man, brought up in practices of such wild people, and can command the lord Dacre's power of Gillesland, but he is too poor to serve in that office unless the King give him 40*l.* or 50*l.* a year above the fees of Hexham and Langley. 7. Thursday and Friday next are to be peremptory

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days for Riddesdale and Tyndale to make restitution, and if any refuse, I will be busy with them. I think few of Riddesdale will start out, but many of Tyndale. And those that do I will burn and destroy their houses and corn, after which garrisons must be laid for a time, to defend their malice. It is not the first time such garrisons have been laid, when Tyndale men have been likewise burned, as in my lord of Richmond's time.

In the hand of Norfolk's clerk. Pp. 3. *Endd.*

15 Sept. **697.** JOHN BUNOLT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs him to be good lord to his friend Sir Will. Richardson, priest, who has been in durance in the Flyght (Fleet) since 1 Aug. last for declaring the Translation of St. Thomas to be holiday, which he did in ignorance of the statutes. Calais, 15 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The Secretary of Calais.

15 Sept. **698.** THE IRISH COMMISSIONERS to JAMES FITZJOHN, of Desmond.

R. O. Summon him to declare to them his title to the earldom of Desmond, resorting to them in place convenient. Dublin, 15 Sept.

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R. O. St. P. II. 536. 2. "Articles delivered by us, Antony Seyntleger, George Poulet, Thomas Moyle, and William Berners, commissioners assigned by the King's Highness, to our loving friend and fellow William Welshe, esquire, mayor of Yoghill, and to Patrick Gold of Kylmallok, secretary to the right honourable lord James FitzJohn, of Desmond, of which we the said Commissioners require to be certified by the said lord James with speed."

(1.) That he renounce the bp. of Rome. (2.) That he show his clear title and the bastardy of James Fitzmorice, now in England. (3.) As he is exempt, under the King's great seal, from attending any Parliaments, will he take oath to abide by their enactments? (4.) What entertainment he will yearly give James Fitzmorice, and what sureties for the same. (5.) What entertainment he will give to the 40 gunners he requires to assist him in subduing Munster. (6.) What rent he will give for the lands of the earldom of Kildare, which he requires in Limerick, as Crome and Adare. (7.) Gerald FitzGerald, second son to the late earl of Kildare, has withdrawn himself from the King, who minded nothing but to cherish him as his other brother is cherished with his mother in England: we require the said Desmond to write to him, as his uncle the Lord Deputy has done, advising him to submit, and if he refuse to treat him as the King's rebel. (8.) If the said Gerald submit he shall have the King's pardon. *Signatures (copied) of* William Walshe and Patrike Gowlls.

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15 Sept. **699.** HUTTON to CROMWELL.*

R. O. St. P. VII. 666. The lady Regent has received letters from Venice that the Turk has withdrawn his army with many reproaches to the French King's ambassador that his master came not into Italy according to his promise. The lords of Prat and of Liskirke have been ordered not to leave till the certainty of this be known. If this and the news I wrote on the 12th inst. be confirmed, notwithstanding the abstinence lately concluded, they never had more desire to invade France than now, thinking the French King to be at a great afterdeal. M. de Lekis has obtained a safe-conduct to pass through France, and this day leaves for Spain. Bregis, 15 Sept.

Hol. Add.: My lord Privy Seal, Mortlake. *Endd.*

* Placed erroneously in the year 1536 by the editors of the State Papers. That date is also given in a modern endorsement.

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15 Sept. **700.** CHARLES V. to CIFUENTES.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 352. B. M.

Instructions about affairs of Florence. The duchess of Florence and duchess of Camarino.

Spanish, pp. 4. *Headed:* Monçon, 15 Sept. 1537. *Modern copy from Archives at Simancas.*

15 Sept. **701.** CHARLES V. to AGUILAR.

Add. MS. 28,589, f. 354. B. M.

The Datary. Creation of Cardinals. Cornelius Scepero and the negociations for peace with France on the side of Flanders. Clergy and monasteries in Spain.

Spanish, pp. 10. *Headed:* Monçon, 15 Sept. 1537. *Modern copy from the Archives of Simancas.*

15 Sept. **702.** CHARLES V. to DON LOPE DE SORIA.

Add. MS. 28,589 f. 359. B. M.

The Turk, king Ferdinand, Venice, &c. The Pope's desire for peace between the Emperor and France. Arrival of Sceppero from Flanders with news of the truce.

Spanish, pp. 17. *Headed:* Monçon, 15 Sept. 1537.

16 Sept. **703.** HOLY DAYS.

Wilkins, III. 827.

Mandate by Abp. Cranmer to the dean of Bocking: that whereas the King in the Convocation of the province of Canterbury at St. Paul's, London, in the year 1536 commanded certain holydays to be abrogated (the tenor of which statute was by the Abp. printed and published) and whereas also the King in his Royal visitation held in that year by his commissaries exhibited certain injunctions to be observed by the clergy of Bocking, the Archbishop is grieved to hear that very many of that deanery have not obeyed the said statute, and commands the said dean or his commissary to intimate that all who neglect to do so in future will, if beneficed, be deprived of their benefices and, if not, will be proceeded against according to law. And since lately in the learned council of the archbishops, bishops, and other learned men of this realm many disputed points (*controversa*) in religion have been defined and many things explained to the people "ad vitæ institutionem" which will shortly be issued in a volume under the Royal authority; the dean is to warn all the clergy to read aloud from the pulpit every Sunday a part of the said book. Ford, 10 Sept. 1537.

Latin.

II. Tenor of the statute, 19 July 1536, referred to above.*

(1.) The day of dedication of any church in the province of Canterbury to be kept on the first Sunday of October each year. (2.) The "festum loci" not to be kept as a feast unless it fall on a Sunday or other feast day. (3.) Between the feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and Michaelmas no Saints' days are to be observed except the days of the Apostles, the Assumption and Nativity of St. Mary. (4.) The holydays wont to be observed at Westminster Hall in the four law terms, to be kept. (5.) Christmas day and the feasts following it, Easter, Pentecost, and Corpus Christi days to be observed. (6.) No other Saints' days to be observed unless they fall on Sunday, except those of St. Mary, the Apostles, St. Gregory, St. John Baptist and St. Michael. (7.) The days of oblations for the whole province to be in future on the days of Christmas, Easter, St. John Baptist, and St. Michael.

Latin.

* See also Vol. XI. 270 from Wilkins, III. 823.

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III. CRANMER to POTKYN, his register.

Has received the King's letters for the speedy declaration of the abolition of the holidays named in the late Act of Convocation (transumpt enclosed). Orders him to publish it to the clergy of all the deaneries of the archbishop's "peculiars." Ford, 16 Sept.

16 Sept. **704.** SIR THOS. PALMER to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have received your letter by a servant of Mr. Dean of Lincoln, whereby I understand that some of your friends do bid you good morrow and good even I know no one at Calais who is not at your commandment, and to whom you cannot do a good turn by your report, or a shrewd turn, if he merit it. Who ever disdains you finds that he is beguiled himself, for, by my faith, you shall die deputy of Calais, if you please. As for me and others, I think you shall hear of a gaol delivery (?) sooner than they look for. If Mr. Surveyor shows any manner of ungentleness he were much to blame. I will not believe it till I see it, for I take him for an honest man. I have lied loudly both to the King and to my lord Privy Seal, but I would not have him make any appointment with Mr. Marshal nor with any other matter, but only with your lordship's consent, for you lost your friends for his sake, which I think he will never forget, and likewise my good lady, to whom I beg you to recommend me. Mrs. Anne is sworn the Queen's woman and is much commended by everybody. Mrs. Katharine will be right well entertained by Hussey. The lord Privy Seal has promised to speak and do for them. I beseech you to be merry and laugh at the folly of fools, with which Calais is not unprovided, beside my fellow Jack of Rydyng. I have been three days evil at ease and kept to my lodging, but to-morrow I will to the Court. From the Meners, 16 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

16 Sept. **705.** RICHARD LEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. My lord of Canterbury does not deny speaking to your servant after the rate your ladyship wrote to me. I told him you marvelled that he should have such an opinion of you, for you entertained all the preachers that came thither. He confessed he knew that to be true, but for all that the report had been made by them and others that your ladyship was given to be a little "papisch," and in speaking of it he did nothing but his office. He asked me to desire you and my Lord to favour those who favour the truth, and in so doing you shall be as assured of him as of any friend you have. Thanks for the advertisement concerning the room of 8*d.* a day. I will give your recommendations to Mr. Wriesley. As for Mr. Halles, I have done it already. He thanks you for his good cheer. Excuses his slack writing. Will remember lord Lisle's suit. Sopewell beside St. Alban's, 16 Sept. *Signed:* By your loving cousin during life without threats.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* at Calais.

16 Sept. **706.** SIR WILLIAM KYNGSTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. This day I received your letter for an advowson of the archdeaconry of Cornwall, in the gift of the bp. of Exeter, which advowson I never saw, but understand my lord of Exeter gave it to a friend of mine, Mr. Rowsewell, on condition that if he had any other promotion it should be void, and Rowsewell has had a prebend of my Lord a year past, so the advowson is void, "which I will be ready to justify," and so I sent Rowsewell word a quarter of a year ago. Wansted, 16 Sept. *Signed.*

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16 Sept. **707.** Sir William Kyngston to Mr. Rowsewell.

R. O. "Master Rowsewell," now Doctor Bedyll is dead I understand you intend to take the archdeaconry of Cornwall of which you had the advowson. I will not advise you to do so, for the advowson was conditionally—to be void if you had any promotion ere it fell. You had a prebend of my Lord's gift more than a year ago in possession, and if you attempt further I must be against you. Wanstead, 16 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Not add.*

16 Sept. **708.** Harry Huttoft to Cromwell.

R. O. On Friday last a balinger of Pole which was riding under the Isle of Wight, bound for Flanders, espied 10 sail of Frenchmen at St. Helen's, of which one made sail towards them. They (the balinger), mistrusting, weighed and came into Hampton water. The Frenchmen followed, and the Englishmen put out a flag to show they were Englishmen; nevertheless the Frenchmen cared not and pursued the others into Hamyll water before the town, where they would probably have boarded them but for a ship riding there. The Englishmen came into the town and we made out both by water and land and within five hours took the same ship and have 30 of the men in ward. It is a ship of Dieppe, and the rest of the 10 sails are all men of war. We desire to know what to do, for they have no money, neither wares, but are victualled for four or five months. Sir John Wallop was here when the said ship of Pole showed his matter, and sent some of his servants with us. 16 September.

Please to remember the two bills lately delivered to you.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Sept. **709.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. To-day the Regent departs hence to Brussels, where she intends to stay the winter. Cannot perceive that she is at any conclusion with the lords of Gaunt. Last night Capt. Tovart, captain of Gravelines castle, made his appointment for delivering without licence the provost of Paris, which was heinously taken. He had for his ransom 10,000 cr., whereof he has received one half. The duke of Arscot sent to-day to the Regent to obtain licence for the despatch of Mons. Hanyball, which "would not be granted." The bearer told him of certain munitions of war attached at Sluys, which he says are for the King. Not knowing the truth, will not meddle till he knows Cromwell's pleasure. Bregis, 16 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Sept. **710.** Wm. Lord Sandys to Lord Lisle.

R. O. My lord Grey fell sick last night within this castle, of which I must inform you, as your Lordship intended to be here this day. Guisnes, Sunday morning, 16 Sept., 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

17 Sept. **711.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I wrote by Godale and Hercules. Those of the King's and Queen's wardrobes are content to forbear the carpets a reasonable time; and so are my lady Sussex and lady Rutland. My lady Sussex I think will need her's at Christmas. Your daughter Mrs. Anne was sworn the Queen's maid on Saturday last, "and furnesheth the room of a yeoman usher." My lady Sussex would have preferred both, but it would not be, and Mrs. Katharine remains with the countess of Rutland till she knows your pleasure. You must send

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thanks to ladies Beauchamp, Sussex, and Rutland. My lady Sussex has given Mrs. Anne a kirtle of crimson damask and sleeves, and has promised Mrs. Katharine a gown of taffeta. Mrs. Anne lies in her chamber and Mrs. Katharine in lady Rutland's. Against Mrs. Assheley's going out, which will be in two months, your Ladyship must send such bedding as is written in Mrs. Pole's book of reckoning. Mrs. Anne must also have the apparel written in the same book, as appointed by lady Rutland and lady Sussex. However, since that time James is come from the Court and says the Queen's pleasure is Mrs. Anne shall wear out her French apparel, but she must have a bonnet and frontlet of velvet. I saw her yesterday in the velvet bonnet in which lady Sussex attired her, which I thought became her nothing so well as the French hood, but the Queen's pleasure must be done. Mrs. Katharine also lacks the things set down for her in the said book Lady Rutland wishes to know if she should ask lady Suffolk to take her now or wait till her coming to Court, which will probably be long deferred, as she is with child. Of this Mrs. Polle can inform you. My lady Sussex thinks Colpeper should not have the hawk, as he can do you small pleasure. By her advice it was offered to my lord of Sussex, who declined it with thanks, and afterwards to Mr. Coffyn. Mrs. Staynyngs' husband died of the plague, so I would not have her come near your daughters. Your Ladyship should give thanks to Mr. Porter, Sir Chr. Morys, Anthony Antonys, the surveyor of the Ordnance, Mrs. Hutton, and Mr. Lee, who highly feasted your daughters, as did also my lady Dudley, at their going to Court. I have spent on them 20*l.* that I received from Mr. Fowler. Things bought on credit are both dearer and worse than what is paid for in ready money. Mrs. Mary wrote to Mrs. Anne her sister for a great mastiff and two ells of fine Holland cloth. As to exhortations and good counsel to be given your daughters, there is no fear as long as lady Sussex is here; besides, the gentlewomen have good judgment and fine wits. Mrs. Katharine would like to be with my lady Mary. St. Katharine's, 17 Sept.

Lady Sussex desires you to return her the ring she sent you with a wreath of gold, for it is the Queen of Hungary's, "who would not lose it for a king's ransom, but maketh much ado for it. The owner is kin to my lady Pawlet. Mrs. Polle knoweth who oweth it."

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

[18 Sept.]* **712.** HENRY VIII. to the DUKE OF NORFOLK.

R. O. St. P. I. 565.

We have received your letters by our servant Thomas Cary and heard his credence, to which we reply as follows:—1. As to Tyndale and Riddesdale, which you write to be far out of order, blaming our officers, Sir John of Withrington and Sir Reginald Carnaby, whom you think we should change for others named in your instructions; as we have no doubt you can with your wisdom reform them, so we think we should be accused of want of foresight and circumspection if we should often make change of our officers, and wish you rather to try and make them better. Yet if we had inclined to your opinion we think you would not on further consideration prefer to us either Hilton or Dacres—the one because he cannot serve us but to our great charge, and then at the pleasure of another man ["lord Dacre" *struck out*] whose tenants he should use by his favour, so that he, being our officer, should hang upon another man's sleeve; the other because no one knows better than you what manner of man he is. And again, how could you advise us to take things from any man which he has already by lease or grant unless we either do him injustice or buy his interest, which would be costly? As to the opinion of the country that Carnaby wants stomach, we think and partly know that an old grudge between him and others there may prevent

* *See* Norfolk's letter of the 22nd, No. 731.

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712. HENRY VIII. to the DUKE OF NORFOLK—*cont.*

one from trusting another, but your wisdom may remove it and make them friends. Cannot see how Carnaby and Witherington, with Norfolk's counsel, should not do as good service as any of those named in his instructions. Young men must have a time to learn and others put in their rooms may do as ill at their beginning. As to the punishment of those who fly for fear of justice; you will remember they be our subjects though evil men, and considering the clemency we have hitherto shown you will use moderation for their reformation rather than destruction. For a more ample declaration of our mind we send Robert Bowes. As to the letters of our sister the queen of Scots you are to write to the king our nephew according to her desire. You shall also cause the Douglases to withdraw from the Borders, so that they come no nearer to us than the River Doon, but without letting them see that any such limitation has been made by us. Finally, you are to call before you the gentlemen and honest yeomen of those parts and tell them they must cast away all dissension and be ready to serve us under such officers as we have now there or shall hereafter appoint. Else we shall make an example of the obstinate; for you may plainly tell them that anyone of what degree soever who will not humbly serve under such as we put in authority we shall not look upon as a good subject.

Corrected draft in Wriothesley's hand.

18 Sept. **713.** SIR JOHN ALEYN, Alderman, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his goodness when last with him and desires him to move the King touching what they spoke of, wherein he trusts to do such service to his Grace as has not been done heretofore. London, 18 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Sept. **714.** SIR RICHARD RYCHE, Chancellor of the Augmentations, to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Before I knew of the King's grant of the priory and parsonage of Frythelstock to your lordship and lady Lisle, I had promised the lease of the parsonage at lord Beauchamp's request to one Walter Farr. I beg you to grant it now to him at the rent as it was valued to the King. At the beginning of next term you shall have your letters patent sealed. The Augustyne Friers in London, 18 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

18 Sept. **715.** WILLIAM STAPILTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. "Upon your lordship's letter to my lord's Grace of Norfolk," his Grace "like a noble and indifferent justiciar" hath set forth the same with respect to the King's title and sent the depositions of witnesses by post, wherein my poor nephew is bound to be with his poor service, under the King's Highness, ready at your command. Wighull, 18 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir William Stapleton. *Sealed.*

18 Sept. **716.** RICHARD ABYNGDON, Mayor of Bristol, to CROMWELL.

R. O. We received information this day of a letter sent by one Hugh Typton, servant to Will. Spratt, containing words which seem to disclose offenders against the King, and which, at Spratt's request, I send by this bearer. Domingo and Francis, who are named in the letter, are now abiding, and servants of theirs, in Spain, engaged in trading for the

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said William and other merchants, and they and the trade will be in danger for opening this matter, if it be not avoided by your wisdom. Bristol, 18 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Abridgment of two letters by Hugh Typton to William Spratte of Bristol, from St. Sebastian's in Spain.

On the 12 July Hugh Typton and one Thomas Shipman were sentenced to public penance in the church of St. Sebastianes, to pay 600 ducats within three days (Shipman paid 350 and Typton 250 and for costs 120 ducats) and to stay within the city for two years on penalty of 10,000 ducats:—All because they said, six years ago, they did not believe in the Pope or in prayers to Saints, and that the King made no laws but that stood with God's laws. In another letter Typton writes that a boy of Bridgewater was fined 20 ducats for words spoken in England, that one of London had been burnt, and that Englishmen were punished for words spoken in England.

P. 1. *Endd.*

18 Sept. **717.** Royal Supremacy.

Wilkins, III. 828. Mandate of the abp. of York for the abolition of the Pope's authority and declaration of the King's supremacy. 18 Sept. 1537.

18 Sept. **718.** St. Alban's.

R. O. Bill of Thos. Chapman for his standing wages (8*s.* 4*d.* a quarter) and board wages (16*d.* a week) due to him by the abbot of St. Alban's, and for his livery 10*s.*, first for the quarter due at Mich. 28 Hen. VIII., then for those ending Christmas and Lady Day 28 Hen. VIII., and Midsummer 29 Hen. VIII. Total, 4*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; of which 40*s.* was paid him by receiver Ric. Standon, late prior of Hatfield Brodeok, 19 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., and 6*s.* 8*d.*, 18 Sept.

P. 1. *A thin strip of paper. On the back:* "I pray you give this poor man part of his demand, and at my return ye shall see my books, and then he shall have the rest. Per me Robertum Abb. S. Albani."

18 Sept. **719.** Anthoine Brusset to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I am informed that one of your subjects of Oye, named Richard Hallebart, is accused by two footsoldiers of this castle, who are men of bad character, of having sometimes brought victuals to the Emperor's camp before Therouenne. They have made this accusation only because he would not agree with them about some tuns of beer, expecting that all his goods will be confiscated. This seems a severe punishment, especially as many of your men of Calais, Mark, &c., have done the like, and because it was only for the sustenance of the Emperor's men at the said camp, and there is no war between us and you. Gravelines, 18 Sept. '37. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

19 Sept. **720.** John Bishop of London to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for your commendations of me to the King. "Histre" even, after 7 o'clock, I received your letters signifying that the King desired the prebend of Islington, void by the death of Dr. Wolman. Mr. Wolman had never that prebend, but only Fynnesbury, which I gave yesterday forenoon to one who forthwith paid the whole firstfruits to Mr. Hales, as appears by the bill subscribed with his own hand, enclosed. So it is out of my power to grant the King's desire if it were for Finsbury, though you wrote for Iseldon. Yet to prove my towardness, not only by Hadham and Fulham,

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720. John Bishop of London to Cromwell—*cont.*

which I gave the King, I send his Grace by bearer the collation of Islington, void by this chance; though I have no familiar chaplain that has a prebend but Mr. Saxey. I have had the disposition of very few, and those to whom I disposed any have been called away to other service; thus I am, and ever shall be, destitute of learned men, having no fitting promotion for them. All my trust is in your favour. Shordiche, Wednesday morning.

Of the 30 prebends of this church 20 be of less valor than Iseldon, and few better.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 19 Septembris.

19 Sept. **721.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Has been very ill for 3 or 4 days, and on Sunday night till 10 next day in the greatest sweat that could be; but is now well. Dare not come to the country or to Cromwell till he hears his pleasure. Begs his mediation to obtain help of the King, without which he can no longer maintain his room. The Menerys, 19 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Sept. **722.** T. Earl of Wiltshire to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received today a letter from him touching the stewardship of St. Alban's. Last term delivered his patent of the office, and released his right in it to the Lord Chancellor. If it had been in his hands, trusts Cromwell would rather have helped him to have kept it for his weal, than helped him from it to his loss. Hever, this Imbyr (Ember) Wednesday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 19 Sept.

19 Sept. **723.** Lord Leonard Grey to Henry VIII.

R. O. Received his letters by Ant. Sayntleger and other the Commissioners now sent hither. Will assist them to the utmost of his power. That rank traitor, the late O'Connor, goes about to his old friends for meat and drink with scant four light persons to follow him, liker a rascal than one who was captain of a country. He makes daily suit, but shall have little succour. Dublin, 19 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

19 Sept. **724.** Lord Leonard Grey to Cromwell.

R. O. Received the King's letters by Sentleger and the other Commissioners
St. P. II. 474. and also several letters from Cromwell. Protestations of thanks and promises of diligence. Describes O'Connor as in his letter to the King. On Cromwell's letter in favour of Edw. Wagham, the Queen's servant, has accomplished his desire, as Wagham will relate. Would have sent his trusty servant Stephen Apparie, but stayed him for certain conclusions to be made with the Commissioners. Dublin, 19 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Sept. **725.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. Sent on the 11th a messenger to Throgmorton with Cromwell's letter
St. P. VII. 710. and one of his own, of which he sent Cromwell a copy. The messenger has returned reporting that Throgmorton had left Speir with his master* for Rome. His master made no stay at Mastrik, but was conveyed through the bp. of Utrecht's country, clean out of the usual way. The messenger learned of his departure from the two monks and four of the Cardinal of Liege's

* Cardinal Pole.

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servants appointed to conduct him through Almain. One of them said he (Pole) had of his master 15,000 guilderns. Retains the letter till he hears whether to send it after him. Letters from Venice of the 31st ultimo confirm the French king's overthrow in Piedmont, and the Turk's retreat. The Imperialists are strong in Italy. Andrea Doria has pursued the Turk with 34 galleys. The Venetians have sent an ambassador to the Turk to complain of Barbarossa, who took four of their galleys, sunk one, and beheaded two of the captains; but it is thought they will suffer much wrong before they break with the Turk. The Regent is at the monastery of Bowlo where she means to hunt and then go to Brussels. Antwerp, 19 Sept.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. by Wriothesley.*

20 Sept. **726.** ANTHONY DENNY.

See GRANTS in SEPTEMBER, No. 13.

20 Sept. **727.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O.
C's. Letters, 349.

Thanks him for being good lord to the bearer, Thos. Wakefield Cranmer's servant. Asks that notwithstanding Cromwell's recent letters touching that benefice, he may enjoy the parsonage of St. Quintyne of Spellacke, in the Marches of Calais, to which he is presented by virtue of the King's advowson, and that Cromwell will give him a token to the Archbp.'s chancellor for institution. Forde, 20 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Sept. **728.** THOMAS ABBOT OF BIEULEY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have received your letter of the 17th Sept., desiring me to deliver to the bearers the body of James Mangni, Florentine. Would have done so, but he left sanctuary on Sunday last during my absence from home. From Hide Monastery, 20 Sept.

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Sept. **729.** REPORTS TO THE IRISH COMMISSION.

R. O.

David Sutton's book.

"This book made" 20 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII., "by commandment of the commissioners then being in Ireland, which had me sworn to declare the truth how the counties of Kildare and Carlagh was used by the late earl of Kildare, and sithens and now."

Enumerates many extortions practised by Kildare upon the people. He used the King's laws or Brehen's laws as suited him best, and his own proclamations were taken for laws.

The lord of Kilkullyn is now the only man who sets coyne and livery on the King's tenants, as his own lands would not keep half his men of war. They are nominally for defence of the country, but many of them are naughty men, and if not with him, or executed, would be doing hurt, as Piers Fitzgarrate's sons do. Great exactions practised by Wm. Brymycham, who among other things has proclaimed throughout his barony of Carbre that no man shall take anything to market but only to his wife, and she to make the price. Two strong thieves were taken lately in "harst;" one is with the Deputy and the other Wm. Brymycham let go because he was Cayre Acconner's servant. He harbours the Connors. Philip Morice sets coyne and livery in Allon and my lord Bp's. lands there and keeps the Doucyes with him, who are the best spies in our country. James McGerald accompanies with the Doucyes and with strong thieves. Many of the lord of Kilcolyn's men, [and] James Gerald's sons' men exact "foysse" (that is meat). Piers FitzGarrat's sons are succoured by the baron of Noragh. When we are at peace with Leysse and the Doucyes they come in companies to ask meat, and the borderers, being afraid to refuse, are so impoverished that the King's

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tenants have given warning to quit their holdings. James FitzGerot, of Ballysonnan, succours the thieves of Leyxe, and his brother Piers leads them. They take their spoils the first night to the Black Wood, next night to Ballysonnan, next night to Leyxe, and so from place to place that they cannot be traced.

Pp. 6. *Headed:* Presented by David Sutton.

2. The Lord Deputy's Book.

R. O. St. P. II. 477. Twenty-one items of the evil rule of the English lords who border upon the Irishry. They all employ more thieves than true men; they make several peaces with their Irish neighbours and allow the small freeholders and poor gentlemen to be robbed; they exact coyne and livery on the King's tenants; use the Irish apparel and tongue, &c., &c.

In Alen's hand. Headed: The Lord Deputy's book.

R. O. 3. Another copy of §2, headed: "An abstract of misorders and evil rule in Ireland," with the addition of a first article that some members of the Council have failed to attend the Deputy when summoned, and the conclusion:—"Item, further if it shall please your majesty to command me to your presence, which your Grace not offended I most humbly desire," I shall declare my truth, &c.

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* A complaint against the March borderers that they maintain thieves and pyll their tenants.

4. [Alen's Book.]

R. O. St. P. II. 480. (1.) The Irish have long looked upon the kings of England but as governors here for the bp. of Rome. An Act should be passed recognising the King as king of Ireland, and the Irish captains should be sworn to him as such. (2.) As it is enacted that the King is Supreme Head of the Church in Ireland, that every man should be sworn to it; and this oath should be offered by commissioners in each county, and given to the Lords at next Parliament. (3.) Danger of great power of individuals, as witness the Garrentynes. (4.) Every man of great power should have some grave personage joined with him, so as to divide his influence. (5.) To be ready to resist Irish inroads the Deputy should reside at Trym. The monasteries of St. Peter,* the Bettye,† and Blackfriars‡ might be used to repair the castle there; and oaks felled in Offaly while we have it. (6.) It should be enacted that in case a lord marcher lack capacity to defend the Pale another of his "nation" may be appointed by the Deputy and Council to do so, with a reasonable stipend out of the said lord's lands. (7.) There is such lack of English blood that we are bound to take Irishmen, our natural enemies, as tenants and even servants; but it should be enacted that none bide amongst us whose grandfather, father, and self have not been born in the Pale. (8.) Irishmen calling themselves Englishmen's servants go about stealing, for there is no difference between our marchers and the Irish in habit: all inhabitants of the Pale should be ordered to have "no upper beard called a crommell nor turffid head, but other wear a bonnet or else polled heads." (9.) Such as have "made marriage, given byinges, or fostrid to any Irishman of late" should be punished and forbidden to do so again. (10.) It should be enacted that no Irishman should have the keeping of an Englishman's castle on the borders. (11.) Two captains should be appointed to every barony, and musters taken every quarter. (12.) In towns the people should be compelled to teach their children English. every owner of a plough should wear a coat of English fashion, and every merchant worth over 40*l.* ride in

* Augustinan priory of St. Peters and St. Paul, Newtown, by Trim.
† Priory of St. John the Baptist, Newtown.
‡ Blackfriars, Trim.

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a saddle. (13.) Archery to be encouraged. (14.) Terms should be kept at Trym to which the Dillons, Tyrrelles, Daltuns, and all Westmeath might answer the King's writs and grow to due obedience, from which they are now far astray. (15.) Borough towns to be encouraged. (16.) Fees of judges, &c. to be increased and made competent: the revenues of the abbeys of St. Thomas Court and Allhallows and the hospital of St. James without Newgate, in all 1,000 mks., might be applied to this. (17.) Tenants were discouraged because they could get no more than three years' leases; leases for 21 years with promises of renewal should be given, and the tenant defended from oppression. (18.) Commissioners should yearly view whether the gentlemen marchers use excesses in quartering their men upon the husbands and freeholders. (19.) A yearly rent, called treason money, should be exacted from those who lately rebelled, to perpetuate their reproach. (20.) Pardons to be granted, for certain fines. (21.) Offally, called Okynhowres country, should be put in order, the hither part of it to Tower Trowan restored to Wm. Brymmynjame, and the rest to Kayer O'Coner as baron of Offaly. (22.) As the nature of Irishmen is "that for money one shall have the son to war against the father and the father against the child," the King should always have treasure ready. (23.) The treasure should he kept in Brymmynjames tower in Dublin Castle and the King's records should also be preserved there, for former keepers have suffered them to be embezzled.

In Alen's hand. Numbers not in original.

5. The Justice Luttrell's Book.

R. O. St. P. II. 502. Taking of "coyne and livery" is the root of all the disorders in Ireland, and will ultimately bring Dublin, Kildare, and Uriel to the same state as Munster, Connaught, and Ulster, wherein there is but a feigned obedience to our Prince. Abuse of coyne by the Walshmen, marchers of the county of Dublin, the Geraldines, the baron of Delvyn, and others. Coyne of gallow-glasses called "coyne bon," introduced by Gerald, father to Gerald late earl of Kildare, and extended by the baron of Delvyn, substitute-deputy under the said earl, by the earl of Ossory, deputy after the first rebellion of this O'Connor and the Geraldines, and by the earl of Kildare. English husbandmen left Kildare county on this account. Explanation of abuses called "foys," "canys" (much taken by the lord of Kilkullyn), "byinges," and "brehennes." Abuses practised by horsemen outside the district which would be enclosed by a line drawn from Dublin by Taulaught, Oughtyrhard, St. Wolstons, Lexlip, Donboyn, Rathergan, Trym, Athboy, Arbrekan, Slane, Mellyfount, and Drogheda, back to Dublin. Impoverishment of the free-holders. Knows nothing of the shires of Wexford, Kilkenny, Tipperary, and Waterford. If the part of Leinster inhabited by the McMorrowes, otherwise called Kevanaghes, Byrnes and Tolys, were brought into good rule, so that the King's subjects should have nothing to fear but from their outward border, it would greatly increase the revenue and good order. This would be easy, as "your Mastership" may learn by consulting the Council. Against employment of Irish soldiers. Borough towns to be protected (the Nasse is like to be deserted because of excess in levying horsemeat.) Soldiers taking oats for their horses should do so indifferently from every one in a town or parish. Against frequent changing of Deputies. An English Deputy better than an Irishman born. Justices for Wexford, Waterford, Tipperary, and Kilkenny. English habit and language should be compulsory, and children made to practise archery an hour or two every day. Irish beggars, rhymers, bards, common women, pardoners, pipers, harpers, and the like, not to be suffered within the Pale. No beggar to beg except in his own parish. No Irish horsekeepers to be employed. The daily returning of Englishmen back to England to be restrained. Government of shires. The Statutes should be printed.

Hol. Headed: The Justice Luttrell's book.

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20 Sept. **730.** Francesco G . . . . to George Colins.

Otho C. ix. 87. B. M.

* * * "del Turcho chon . . . . . Barbarossa e chon l'armat[a] . . . . . "Osservandissimo S. m[io].

"[Pa]rtendo il brigantino inpressa, breve[mente ho] scritto la presente che chontiene chom[e il] principe Doria chollarmata giener[ale di sua] Maesta e chongiunto chollarmata d[ei] Venitiani a Chorfu et egni giorno [na[viga da] una punta a una altra per aspettare . . . . . chariche dinfanteria che per essere stato . . . . . temporale anno chorso chi inqua chi . . . . . modo che l'una non sapeva de l'altra . . . . . aquesto giorno il signiore Principe [non ne ha] auto nuove. Eggi che siamo alli 20 di se[ttembre] il Signiore a auto la nuova come sono ch . . . a salvamento, et che ne sono una parte . . . . . da 8 ne sono capitate alla Cefalonia . . . . . a gionte qui nel chanale di Chorfu chon li au . . . . . rotte et frachassate, benche Barba Rossa . . . . . inanti sera partito chon 200 vele et . . . . . depredato tutte quelle isole et ne me . . . . . secho da etto milia anime e sene andat[o] . . . . . eli aspalmato li suoi miglior vasegli e . . . . . la nostra armata valente niente per chonb . . . . . noi disorta che il signior Principe anchor lu . . . . . animo ebene disposto di andarlo a trovare [e di] battere chonlui, ma prima era danimo . . . . . sua nave per andare a una cie . . . . . .circha 10 giorni che * * * . . . . . s altre nave del pr . . . . . ti contrari non sono anchora . . . . . avessino determinato chon questo . . . . . ova qui unita andare achonbatter[e] . . . . . ci nondimeno li tenpi chontrari non lian . . . . . re di questo chanale di Chorfu, et chosi se . . . . . ando syno chel tenpo sera favorevole . . . . . a armata. Barbarossa chon larm[ata Tur]chescha sitruova lontano dalla nostra . . . . . Santa Miclia piantato nel golfo de lar . . . . . lla pranessa et mandovi il disegnio ch . . . . . apontino e per molti rinchontri che sene au . . . . . da 120 galere buone et quaranta tra . . . . . galeotte il resto sono tristissime. Le nostr[e] . . . . . 106 molto bene guarniti di tutto quello . . . . . ede ha una simile inpresa, edi omini da . . . . . da chonbattere; il resto non sono chosi forniti . . . . . ne, ma benissimo armate di soldati e da . . . . . E di piu cisono circha 15 tra fuste et [gale]otte et brigantini; eltre alli galeoni che so[no benis]simo armati di soldati e dartiglieria et quel[li dei Ve]nitiani sono da 12 o 13 navi e vi prometto [o]gnuno e tanto volontaroso dichonbattere quanto si possa, et spero che a questa volta sivedra che li . . . . . ti de Venitiani non sono soldati della sanita. [Sa]pia V. S. che il Magnificho Messere Vincientio Chapell[o, bravi]ssimo generale dell armata di mare etanto [volont]aroso di chonbattere chon questo Barbarossa . . . . . e andassi nai sulla guerra, Diopiac . . . * * * * * * . . . . . udio et nella p . . . . . siavera vittoria, benche . . . . . [g]uerra sono dubiose, chome sa . . . . . potere della fortuna, pero non h . . . . . dare sentezia insino alla fine.

"Averemo damettere in terra quan . . . . . venuta tutta larmata 15 mila Spag[nuoli] bene aordine et valenti soldati et . . . . . 9 milia Italiani et armate le nav . . . . . andremo atrovar gli inimici valente . . . . . Et speriamo picliare la pravessa inq . . . . . mentre se Barba Rossa viene alla . . . . . nostra chonbatteremo secho anchora . . . . . sia tutto le navi et speriamo in D[io et] nella prudenza del Principe et . . . . . forze dellarmata che averemo . . . . . Et succedendo altro ne daro rag[ione] . . . . a V. S., allaquale inchinevolmente [bacio] lamano. Di Chorfu, alli 20 di Settenb[re]."

Hol., pp. 3. *Mutilated. Add.:* Dño Giorgio Cholin mercyeri in Londra.

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21 Sept. **731.** ANNE ROUAUD (MADAME DE BOURS) to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Glad to receive your news. I was sorry for Mademoiselle Anne's departure which her sister* much regretted. You do me honour by leaving her with me. She is very well and improving every day in her bearing ("*en honneste*"). The bearer will give you news of her and me. I was dismayed yesterday to see the fire there has been in this town. "Je ne vous sairois tenir plus long pourpos," and I was very sorry we could make no better cheer to your men. Your daughter has not had great pleasure in being here. I find her a very ladylike person ("*fort honnestes femme*"). You need not trouble yourself to get lanners; you have given me enough. If I can get a goshawk I will send it to lord Lisle. Abbeville, 21 Sept.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

22 Sept. **732.** NORFOLK to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Received this morning the King's letters of the 18th, with Mr. Bowes' credence. Begs him not to think that he was advised by any man but the Council here in recommending the changing of Sir John Weddrington and Sir Reynold Carnaby. Explains his reasons. Carnaby, since he was officer of Tyndale, never once came amongst them, nor has taken one thief. Weddrington after taking divers has let go some and taken four out of prison whom Norfolk commanded him to keep, and bound himself for their appearance. Norfolk compelled him to bring in three again; the fourth was in Scotland, delivered at the day of trew, who is one of the most arrant thieves of Riddesdale. Three weeks ago the sheriff sent to him in Norfolk's name to take 10 notable thieves in Riddesdale who had been indicted of divers felonies, and he has not taken one. More than six weeks ago when Jack of Musgrave was with Norfolk the Duke commanded him at his peril to take eight notable thieves, who had not only spoiled the King's subjects of Austen More but on being pursued raised the inhabitants of Bewcastle Dale upon them, hurt several and took 32 prisoners, whose goods they still detain without restitution. He has not yet brought one of them. Wrote to him before coming hither, charging him strictly to bring them and three other arrant thieves; but none of them is yet brought in. Has again written to him this night and knows not what he will do. These thievish counties cannot be kept in good order without strict punishment of offenders. Held *oyer determiner* here on Monday and Tuesday, when there were put to execution and now hang in chains of those that Crane accused one priest and two mariners. The priest confessed his offence, the other two would not. At the same time six arrant thieves were executed, two of Tyndale taken by the sheriff, two of Riddesdale and two of Northumberland taken by the Fenwicks, not one by any of your Highness' officers. Thinks if they had done their duty the execution would have been such as has not been seen for many years. Of those of Riddesdale one was a headsman of that country who was a hostage with Norfolk at Sheriff Hutton, and has stolen since his departure thence. Will keep a new sessions here on Wednesday or Thursday next, and if your three said officers do their duties I think an example will be made for many years to come.

Will do his best to execute the rest of the King's letters. Thanks the King for his discharge and for sending my lord of Durham hither. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 22 Sept.

P.S.—Jack à Musgrave has just come and has only brought one of those the Duke commanded him to apprehend. Has ordered him to return and bring the rest by Wednesday next. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

* Mary Basset.

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[22] Sept. **733.** Edmond Wryght to Cromwell.

R. O. Immediately on entering into the parsonage of Lyth by virtue of a lease from Sir Thos. Wentworthe, six servants of Sir Ralph Evars, the younger, riotously entered it and have continued ever since with shouting, routing, and blowing of horns and bagpipes.

Young lady Evars, also, hearing that two of her servants, Thos. Wright and John Norman, had gone to the writer's wife at Lyth, and fearing that they would reveal words she had spoken concerning the King, sent to all the abbot of Whitby's tenants and all Mr. Salvyn's tenants to be ready against his coming down. On Monday before St. Matthew's day, John Evars, her brother-in-law, with 60 persons entered the parsonage at one o'clock at night, and threatened and reviled his wife and her servants, so that he fears she will hardly escape it, till a justice of the peace came and conveyed her to Mr. Musgrave, servant to lord Latimer. She has now come to her husband at Pykryng. They are still lying in wait for Thos. Wright and Norman. Carried Wright and Norman before Sir Roger Chamley, justice of the peace, and encloses their confession. Chamley has also sent it to the duke of Norfolk at Newcastle. Is going thither himself. Asks Cromwell to send letters to John Evars and others to avoid possession of the parsonage and appear before the Council. Pikeryng, Saturday after St. Matthew's day.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Confession of Thos. Wright as to the saying of lady Evre, wife to young Sir Ralph Evre, in her own chamber at Skarburgh, taken before Sir Roger Chamley, justice of the peace, Wm. Wytheam, Robt. Hunter, and others, on St. Matthew's day at night, 21st Sept.

1. That about Tuesday next before St. Bartylmew day she said to Thomas her servant, "There is 20 of the best in Yorkshire hath sent me word that if my husband were in any danger, that they would rise and fetch him out, or else to die therefor." John Norman deposes that she said to her brother-in-law, John Evre, that if her husband were in any danger above, it would turn to a worse business than the death of any man that died within Yorkshire as yet.

Both Wright and Norman depose that John Eure the younger, with other evil disposed persons, kept them in a chamber in Lyth parsonage, threatening them with death if they came forth.

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23 Sept. **734.** Cromwell to [the Irish Commissioners].

In favour of his servant Hieronym Lyn, keeper of Carlingford Castle, if he make suit for any farm or other thing about the same castle. Murtlacke, 23 Sept.

Half page. (*See* No. 389 xiv.)

23 Sept. **735.** Cromwell to [the Irish Commissioners].

The King has appointed the bearer, my servant James Sherlock, his receiver in county Wexford, and I desire you to give him some honest farm there meet for his abode when he repairs thither. Stepney, 23 Sept.

Half page. (*See* No. 389 xii.)

— Sept. **736.** Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to Cromwell.

R. O. I thank you for the news of the King's good health and for your other pains taken for me in my absence. A friend desires me to write that he may have the preferment to buy the house of the friars in Sudbury at a

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valuation, as he supposes the friars will willingly depart. Berechurch, ——* Sept.

P.S.—The proclamation for dispensing of the act of clothmaking will expire at Michaelmas next. Some clothiers have been in hand with me for longer continuance of it. Let me know your pleasure.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Sept. **737.** Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to Cromwell.

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Divers clothmakers of these parts have been with him, declaring that if they are compelled to make cloth from Michaelmas forwards according to the King's Act, it will cause them to forbear clothmaking, for it is impossible to keep the breadth of the cloth limited by the Act. The weavers are also too poor to provide "lomes and slees" to weave cloths according to the Act. Answered that there was much slander in outward parts for false cloth making, for remedy whereof this Act was provided; that before the Act was made, the clothmakers who were consulted, said it was reasonable; that he thought they rather sought occasion to continue their false making, than try to make true cloth according to the Act; also that the King had suspended the Act for a long time by his proclamation that they might provide looms and other things for making true cloth, and marvelled that they had been so negligent; and he did not think the King would defer the execution of the Act any longer: They lamented very sorely, saying they would leave their trade for the time, for they could by no possible means make cloth according to the Act, "and specially for their breade."

Bade them take heed and beware, for he thought they might perform the Act if they had good will and zeal to the commonwealth, and if by obstinacy or wilfulness they left their cloth-making, any murmur or sedition among the people for lack of work would be laid to their charge.

To this they said obediently they would do what they could, and begged him to be a mean with the King to suspend the Act, which he would not promise. Asks Cromwell, if he thinks fit, to find out the King's pleasure whether the Act shall be suspended for another year. Thinks it would not be much amiss. Wishes to know as soon as possible for Michaelmas is the last day of the old proclamation. Terlyng, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[23] Sept. **738.** Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to Cromwell.

R. O.

In behalf of Serjeant Grenfeld, who writes to him that the King is willing to grant him the office of controller of the ports of Exeter and Dartmouth lately held by Wm. Symonds. If he can obtain Cromwell's favour it would be a charity; for he is a poor younger brother and has many children and served the King well at the last rebellion. He has had no advancement but the office of serjeant, which cost him much money. The King granted him a lease of a little priory in Cornwall, but he was so molested by Mr. Arundell that he got little profit out of it. Was much troubled, by Cromwell's late letters, that it was reported to the King he had attempted to take the stewardship of St. Albans. Reminds Cromwell he spoke about it to him before he did anything, showing that the earl of Wiltshire had offered him his patent, and Cromwell encouraged him to believe the King would be content. Obtained the patent from the earl under the convent seal: the fee is 20*l.* If he may not take a free gift from his friend, he is worse than a

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738. Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to Cromwell—*cont.*

friar Observant. Has not yet the office, but only the fee, as the patent is still in the name of the earl of Wiltshire, and Audeley never meant to change the name till the King's pleasure was known. Wrote, however, to the abbot on the subject, who informed him that a promise was made thereof to my lord of Norfolk and his son, but that he was willing to grant it to Audeley in his own name during Wiltshire's life, which Audeley refused. Terlyng, ——* Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

23 Sept. **739.** John Graynfeld to Cromwell.

R. O. Asks him to write to Mr. Hennage to get Graynfeld's bill signed for the comptrollership of Exeter and Dartmouth. If he live, will prepare some pleasure for Cromwell. 23 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* (*wrongly*): Sir John Graynffeld.

23 Sept. **740.** Dr. William Knyght to Cromwell.

R. O. The name of the prebend in Salisbury that Cuthbert sued your lordship for yesterday for his brother is Bymester (Bedminster). For your favour in this Cuthbert will give 20*l.* Undrehill† is past recovery; they that keep him think he cannot continue till next morning. Sunday, 23 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Doctor Knyght.

23 Sept. **741.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Has written to the King. At this last *oyer determiner* had before him one priest who still remains in prison. Sends a bill of the matters laid to his charge. His answer was that one Watson dwelling in Durham said the words to him; but Watson denies it and he had no witnesses. As the words be very lewd and we are uncertain about the law we desire instructions. Has examined his servant Hodgeson whether he knows the hand. He says no; but that he was at Lassyngham, one of Sir John Bulmer's houses, where was a servant of Ralph Bulmer's called Ralph Watson and one of Sir John Bulmer's called William Stratford and there was lying on a cupboard a letter which he read because the other two could not, and they, finding the matter touched Cromwell, sent the same to the said Ralph Bulmer to show him, without finding any fault of what touched Norfolk. This letter he says was found about Whitsuntide, and Norfolk thinks himself more offended than any man. Will very seriously search out the truth. Cuthbert of Charlton, one of the causers of the murder of Hodge of Fenwick, by means of John Heron, died on Wednesday last. Wishes his fellow Edward Charlton were with him. At this last *oyer determiner*, caused George Heron to be foreman of the inquest and there indicted both those that are put to death and others, amongst them three of those who attacked the said Hodge. Has caused him to return to his house to apprehend one arrant traitor, which he offered to do himself. "If he do I shall have in my hands two false harlots," and whether he do or not Norfolk will make the said George sure and deliver his father's house, lands, and goods to keep to the King's use before his departure. Hopes to indict them both as accessories to the murder.

Yesterday after closing the King's letter, having made no mention of restitution of Tyndale and Riddesdale, and hearing afterwards that both

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† John Underhill held the prebend of Bedminster Secunda. See Valor Eccl. II., 75.

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Tyndale and Riddesdale are quick in making restitution, detained his letters till this day. In the morning the commissioners, both for Tyndale and Riddesdale, arrived and say there are few or none, but have either made restitution already or put in sufficient pledges. Has no fear therefore of any escaping except the murderers of Hodge of Fenwick with whom Sir Reynold Carnaby is like to have some business. For all the rest of the countries under Norfolk's rule, trusts he has swept the houses so clean that my lord of Durham will find no great matter unpurged. Has made a full agreement between my lords Scrope and Conyers and all others who were at variance. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.*: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Sept. **742.** J. DE MORBECQUE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. I have begun to hunt wild swine (*chasser au noir*). I send you a boar's head and side. I hope to get better venison a little later. Tournehen Castle, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

24 Sept. **743.** CROMWELL to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282. f. 207. B. M. Nott's Wyatt 432. In behalf of John Brymedgham of Ireland, who was robbed of his ship and goods by certain Spaniards, and in whose favour the Emperor's ambassadors here have written to the justices in Spain. Lord Butler writes fully of the matter. Stepenhith, 24 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*: ambassador in the Emperor's court. *Endd.*: "My lord Privy Seal of Septemb., dd. long after at Barsolona, for the Irish man."

24 Sept. **744.** THE CHARTERHOUSE OF WYTHAM to DR. LEYTON.

R. O. Have received his letters, and done as much as they may, not offending God and their rule. Their prior being absent, have sent him the lord Privy Seal's and Leyton's letters, and will answer them when they hear from him. Complain of their poverty and the great payments they have made and must make. Have sold church plate, cattle, and wood, and borrowed money. Know not how to pay the next sum at Christmas, except by favour of relaxation or help in letting this farm fallen into their hands. Beg him to be a solicitor to the lord Privy Seal that their place may not be forfeited for default of the next payment. 24 Sept., from the Charterhouse of Wyttham.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

24 Sept. **745.** DENMARK AND FRANCE.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger, IV. 69. Instructio de pactis triennii indutiis cum Cæsareanis et de fœdere inter Reges adjungendo.

Instructions of Christian III., to Peter Suavenius, sent to France.

Was crowned on Aug. 12. Intended to send his ambassador first to England and then to France, but understood from the letters brought by George Lucken that the two kings had disagreed and that Henry had furnished the Emperor with money to make war on Francis. Desires advice from Francis whether to make peace with the Low Germans, or continue the war on the expiry of the truce, and whether to send to England to persuade Henry to accept friendship with France. The Scotch king has always replied to requests for aid that he is as nearly connected by blood with Christiern as with Christian, and therefore refuses. If he is included in the treaty, it must be settled what mutal aid they are to give. Copenhagen, 24 Sept. 1537.

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Ibid., 77. 2. Suavenius' speech, expanding the preceding instructions. *Lat.*

Ibid., 81. 3. Suavenius' account of his mission. *Lat.*

746. HENRY VIII. to [NORFOLK].

R. O. Has received his letters of the 22nd inst. in answer to the King's of the 18th, and seen his letters to the lord Privy Seal. Thanks him for his services, perceiving that his complaint of the negligence of Sir Reynold Carnaby and Sir John of Withrington was well founded. Hopes his reproof to them will stir them up to new diligence. Thanks him for his pains about Tyndale and Riddesdale, and the punishment of offenders in those parts. Hopes that the correction of a few will preserve the lives of many. Commends his discreet order for the apprehension of George Heron, before he departs, and the bestowing of all things that belonged to his father, in surety to the King's behoof. "Advertising you further that we have now dispatched towards you the right —— "

Wriothesley's hand. Unfinished draft, pp. 3. *Endd.:* The minute of the King's letter to —— to the North.

25 Sept. **747.** SIR THOS. AUDELEY, Chancellor, to CROMWELL.

R. O. The day before the arrival of your last letters requesting a benefice in Wales for Sir Rob. Johns, I had given it to a chaplain of my own, a Welshman born. Will be glad to satisfy Sir Robert otherwise. As to your other letters, I thank you for the pains you have taken in declaring to the King the contents of my letters about the patent of St. Alban's. I intended, not as you advise, to send the patent to his Grace and remit the matter to him, but to bring it at my next access to him, for it is in my study in London, and I should not like any to come there but myself. I mean to be at London in the end of next week, when I hope to see the King or send it, trusting his Grace will be satisfied till then. Terlyng, 25 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Sept. **748.** RIC. LAYTON, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Friday last, the minister of the Friars of Hownsley let to farm, to Mr. Cheiseman, his house and lands, for 99 years, the minister to have 10*l.* a year for life, and each of the others 5*l.* Cheiseman told them your Lordship was well content he should so do, as the minister has confessed to me, with sale of small parcels of plate, whom I commanded to sell or alienate no further till he knew your pleasure. Yet Mr. Cheiseman dined with me at Harrow last Thursday, and when he showed me that the Friars would have sold him their house and lands, I advised him to go to your Lordship, the King's high vicar-general, to whom it pertained to redress their misgovernance. Nevertheless, the morrow after, he obtained this lease, as the minister confessed, whom I sent for to Harrow as soon as I heard of this bruit. The Prince, their founder, and your Lordship will best know what to do. I send by this bringer "perisse (*pears*) of Harrowe, graffed by my lord of Duresme his own hands," and partridges my own hawk kills. This Hownslowe is 100 marks, meet for Dr. Trigunwell, if you have made no former grant therein. Harowe on the Hill, 25 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Dr. Layton.

749. RICHARD LAYTON, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O. If you had come to Harrow on Friday, your bed was ready. You shall have 20 beds in the town, where there has been no sickness this year,

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and a dozen in the parsonage. I send by the bearer half a dozen partridges; if you come not soon there will be none to fly at. I send cut my hawk today to kill some for your supper on Monday. Simeon was never so glad to see Christ his master as I shall be to see you in this your own house.* Harowe, this Saturday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Dr. Layton.

25 Sept. **750.** ITALIAN NEWS.

Vit. B. xiv. 253. B. M.

"Ex literis D. Francisci Casalii, die xxv. [Sept.].†

"His diebus Romæ divulgata fuit confœderatio quæ in . . . . . Pontificis ac Cæsaris legatis contra Turcas, qui [Corcyram]‡ occuparunt, quæ Venetorum ditionis est, ejusque arcem [obsident]. Cum nuntiatum esset Andream Auriam Genuam rede[untem esse in] portu Civitatis Veteris, quæ ab urbe Roma decem millibus pa[ssuum est], Cæsaris orator et Ambrosius, Pontificis secretarius, [ad eundem] locum sunt profecti ei persuadere volentes, ut ad negoti[um contra] Turcas administrandum rediret. Sed Andreas Auria cu[m illos] venire cognovisset, dixit, nolle ipsorum adventum expec[tare]; quod valde idoneum ventum ad suam navigationem habe[bat. Sicut ego] autem accepi, quibusdam sic dixit: Non opus esse classem C[æsaris cum] Venetorum classe nunc conjungi; nec omnes simul confœ[deratorum] vires periculo objiciendas esse, idque nullam aliam ob causa[m quam ut] Corcyræ succurratur, cujus quidem arx sic munita si[t ut omnem] impetum facile possit sustinere. Quod si Veneti omnino vo[lunt Turcas] ab ea insula removere, posse xx. milia peditum in Turcar[um regionem] aliquam transportari, unde illi incœpta deserere cogantu[r ut possint] sua defendere. Aiebat insuper, se aliud habere in mand[atis]. Præterea in hujusmodi confœderatione, Cæsari non rect . . . . . et cautum esse; Venetos enim, cum opportunitatem v[iderent], cum Turcis composituros esse, nec hujus fœderis ratione[m habituros]. Ad hæc de Venetis conquerebatur, quod non ita ut pa[r est se] gesserint, cum primum Turcæ ad Velonam appulerunt. Rumor est, Gallorum copias ex Lombardia paulatim s . . . . . recipere, nonnullis oppidis amissis: Taurinum et duo a[lia] . . . . . illis tantum retineri, ut tamen periculum sit ne hæ[c etiam perdantur].

"Ex literis archiepiscopi Londensis Cæsaris legati c . . . . . de qua ipse cum oratoribus Joannis Hungariæ reg[is] . . . . . penitus rejectam et exclusam."

Mutilated.

26 Sept. **751.** THOMAS THACKER to THOMAS AVERY.

R. O.

Desires him to advertise my lord his master of his having received of the bearer John Dyce, from the factor of Portyngale, to my lord's use, certain barrels, &c., of "malvoisie of the Isle of Madeer in Portyngale," lampreys in pickle, socade (viz. 1 b. of diacedron, 1 other of di. lymonds, 1 other of gerds, and one other of the ryone of cidrone), green ginger, myrabilanes, marmalade, &c.

I have hung my lord's gallery with the cloths his lordship saw; there are 10 cloths that do very well. Recommend me to Mr. Ric. Crumwell. From my lord's place in London in haste, 26 Sept.

Hol. p. 1. *Begins:* Son Avery. *Add.:* with my lord Privy Seal in the Court.

* Dr. Layton was presented to the rectory of Harrow by Cranmer (of course, at Cromwell's instigation) on the 21st July 1537.

† A modern marginal note, written before the Fire, says "25 Sept. 1537."

‡ Modern marginal note: "Corcyra taken by the Turk."

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26 Sept. **752.** JOHN FOGGES to CROMWELL.

R. O. I was lately informed that Sir Will. Marshall, parson of Merscham, whose parsonage is within 2 miles of my house, not only was disloyal in the last commotion, but daily uses great extortion to the King's subjects, especially to this poor man the bearer. I beg you will direct letters to Will. Goldwell, justice, and to my fellow Ant. Agere to examine the parishioners. Ascheforth, 26 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Sept. **753.** JOHN BISHOP OF BATH to CROMWELL.

Harl. MS. 283 f. 158. B. M. Received on Sunday last Cromwell's letters of the King's pleasure for the deanery of Wells, void by the death of Mr. Wolman, and took immediate order in the same. Is glad the King is pleased to bestow it thus, and thinks it will be profitable to the cathedral church of Wells to have such a protector as Cromwell. Cromwell has here the bailiwick of Wedmore, the bailey whereof has also the keeping of a little park of Cromwell's with certain fees. Recommends one of his servants for the place, a tall and honest man. Banwell, 26 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Sept. **754.** ANDREW HILLERSDEN.

R. O. Memorandum of his examination on 26 Sept. before Sir Piers Eggecombe touching a robbery of money from a secret chamber in his house by his servant John Holand about four days before St. Peter and Paul's day.

Pp. 2, *in Hillersden's own hand.*

R. O. 2. "Declaration of Andrew Hillersden" in answer to the King's letters requiring to know by whom and by what means his coffer was robbed four or five days before St. Peter and St. Paul's day. Suspected his servant (apparently his nephew) John Holland, to whom he had given the key of the chamber not long before, and caused him to be examined by one Rob. Burell, gentleman, who made him confess complicity in the fact with full particulars, implicating his brother Will. Holland as the principal party. Wrote to their father John Holland, who went with him before lord Bray and Sir Philip Champernon, justices of the peace, to mitigate proceedings, and ultimately before Sir Thos. Denys, recorder of Exeter, who caused the city to be searched for William. Sent also to Sir Hugh Pollerd to keep the fords over Ex in Exmoor. William was at last found and brought to Nich. Fortescue's house, and the brothers were bound in sureties to appear at the next gaol delivery at Exeter.

Two sheets of paper written on one side and stitched together. Endd.

26 Sept. **755.** ST. LEGER, POULET, MOYLE, and BERNERS to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. II. 510. On the 8th arrived at Dublin and found the Deputy, and divers of the Council, upon the Marches parleying with the rebels and taking their pledges. As soon as they had consulted him they proceeded to dissolve the army. Had much business to stay the murmurs of the soldiers, and still have "some difficulty to stay the number assigned to remain for the wages appointed." This day proceed to survey the King's lands adjoining James of Desmond's country, with whom they will communicate according to the King's pleasure. Duylyn, 26 Sept *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Commissioners of Ireland.

R. O. 2. Copy of the above.

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27 Sept. **756.** Sir John Aleyn, Alderman, to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs a determinate answer to his bill about his lands, for the contentation of his mind and advancement of the purpose he has often declared to Cromwell, as his house has been visited by sickness. London, 27 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

27 Sept. **757.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Bastian Rodryges Pynto, a Portuguese merchant, desired me to write to you to be good to these gentlewomen, who are of a principal house of Portugal, now going, as he supposes, to Flanders, for one of them is to marry a rich merchant in Flanders called Diego Menez. Pynto proposes to make my Lord and you a present of spices worth 20 ducats (?) at least. The said Pynto is a knight. St. Katharine's, 27 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

27 Sept. **758.** John Wynter to Cromwell.

R. O. Wrote, with Master Bulas, about what has chanced, and therefore will not venture to approach him till he knows his pleasure. Now, with Master Whight, sends a whole account of their voyage. Prays that they may have a better voyage to recover the expenses. Wants a licence to go to Spain and Bordeaux to sell merchandise he has laden here. Has given to Mr. Whit the copy of two cockets for two ships of Chester, who say they are free, and that Cromwell has their privileges, and that the statute was not executed, so he suffered them to pass on the promise that if it was their duty to pay custom they would do so. Bristow, 27 Sept. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. **759.** Thos. Treffry to Cromwell.

R. O. Last Tuesday there was a fray at Plymouth between Frenchmen of Depe and Spaniards who were waiting for the return of the Emperor's ambassadors from Flanders. Six Frenchmen, one or two Spaniards, and an English shipmaster, who tried to part them, were hurt. Took away their weapons and sent them to the mayor, who was assessing the quindecym at the Guildhall. Told the mayor that he had orders to see the peace kept between the French and Spaniards, and charged him to keep safely any whom he apprehended; but the captain of the Admiral's ship of the four ships of Dieppe, and some of the masters, were delivered the next day. As the captain is well esteemed by the French, and well favoured by the French king and Admiral, required the mayor to see him and them safely kept, and to certify the King of their demeanour. As the time of his account draws near, and because neither horse nor man can be had without the King's command, for danger of the sickness, could only send this letter by those who have business "to the term ward," and asks Cromwell to excuse his slack sending, and to send him his mind. Exeter, 27 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. **760.** Archbishop Browne to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. II. 512. Received, 11 Sept., Henry's letter, dated Sonnynghill, 31 July, which made him tremble for fear of incurring his displeasure. Henry writes that he has failed to preach the "sincere word of God, avoiding all superstition used against the honour of the same." The fact is that for his short abode here none of his predecessors have been so active in declaring the gospel and diminishing the usurped power of the bishop of Rome. As

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760. Archbishop Browne to Henry VIII.—*cont.*

to the second article, refers to the King's council here. Was the first spiritual man that moved the 20th and first fruits; "but given it is to this land miserable of what behaviour or gesture soever men be to have malignors." As to the last article—his "writing *we* and *us*"—it has not been seen unless when he and his two chapters of Christchurch and St. Patrick's wrote to the King concerning the election of dean of St. Patrick's, and that was an oversight.

Has received the King's other letters by Edw. Vaughan, the Queen's servant, and accomplished the contents. Protests his diligence and obedience. Spoke against certain sacramentaries. Dublin, 27 Sept. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

27 Sept. **761.** The Same to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letters, dated Sonninghill, 31 July. Answers (as in his letter to the King) charges of remissness in preaching, that he is not pliable in the King's affairs, and of "writing *we* and *us*." Begs favour. Will send Cromwell's fee as soon as the Michaelmas rents come in. Talaugh, 27 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. **762.** Thomas Agard to Cromwell.

R. O. On 8 Sept., Mr. Sentleger, Mr. Paulet, and the other Commissioners and myself, with the King's treasure, arrived in Dublin. Since their coming they have discharged part of the English army, and yesterday departed to Powers Courte, a place lately re-edified by Mr. Treasurer, on the border of the Tollys. They intend to "peruse" Kildare, Carlow, Kilkenny, Tipperary, Waterford, and Wexford, and return to Dublin to the Parliament. All is quiet and like to continue so, if O'Chonour is kept out of his country. Dublin, 27 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **763.** Cromwell to [the Council and Commissioners in Ireland].

Has written to the Commissioners to cease disposing of any of the holds in lord Butler's possession until he repair thither. Mr. Ric. Butler, brother of the lord Butler, has the Fasagh Bentre by demise of the Under-treasurer. You shall make him a lease of it and of the New Rawon and the Dyppes, the rather as the said Richard guarded the same throughout the rebellion time. Piers Freigne brought "an assise" against Ric. Wessley for lands in Kildare; as an indifferent trial cannot be had in the county, you are to decide the case. The abp. of Casshell complains that upon a decree of yours the vicar of Clomell disturbs him in the possession of the parsonage. The abp. is to continue in peaceable possession until the vicar show sufficient title. Nic. Power, being attached in Dublin, signed an agreement to abide the order of the bp. of Waterford, Mr. Wise, Jas. White, recorder of Waterford, and Walt. Cowley, in his suits with Kath. Butler, widow, and Piers Power, her son. They have awarded certain sums to the said Katharine and Piers. If Power's goods are insufficient to pay these, you shall make an "extent" of certain of his lands to levy the said sums and extend your lawful favour to the said Katharine, the rather as her husband was slain in the King's service and her son is the King's ward. Ossory is to continue in possession of the "prysewynes" of Kinsale, in which he has been disturbed of late. Stepney, 28 Sept.

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28 Sept. **764.** The King's Amours.

R. O. "An examination taken by the abbot of Westminster and Anthony Denny of certain persons by the commandment of my lord Privy Seal," 28 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.

1. Henry Atkinson says that when at supper a month past, in the house of Rob. Broke of the sanctuary of Westminster, one Morys Bull, sanctuaryman moved to him "by way of a question," that "there was one rode upon a fair gelding and a pretty wench behind him, and a king met them and plucked down her muffler and kissed her, and liked her so well that he took her from him," "and so lived and kept her still in advowtry; which wench one William Webbe kept two years before." He added that it was Webbe who rode upon the gelding, and the king of England that took the wench from him, as reported by Rob. Sharpe's wife, of Westminster, and Kendall, a servant of the King's. *Signed.*

"Will. Candyssh, auditor, is surety for the forthcoming of the said Atkynson."

2. Morrys Bull refers to Philip Taylor, sanctuaryman, as his authority, and says the occurrence took place near Eltham; that Webbe cried vengance on the King and reported it to Kendall, who lives at Launson in Cornwall, and Sharpe of Westminster; and that one Gonne, tailor, a sanctuary man, said the King lived in advowtry. *Signed with a mark.*

3. Philip Johnson *alias* Taylor confirms the statement of Atkinson, but says that the words were used by Bull on Monday, 10 Sept. *Signed.*

4. James Robyns deposes to the like effect. *Signed with a mark.*

5. Nicholas Man, tailor, says that about a month past in one Waddysburgh's house, of Westminster, he heard one Kendall say that Will. Webbe is a traitor, and had said that the King lived in adultery, relating the same story. Advised Kendall to report it to the Council, and he said he had showed it to the abbot of Westminster. *Signed.*

Pp. 6. *Endd.*

2 Sept. **765.** Thos. Abbot of Bieuley to Cromwell.

R. O. On sight of your letters by Master Perpoint, I and Master Huttoft did with diligence gather all the conveyers of James Manzy, and have so used that I think they will love the worse hereafter to steal sanctuary men from Bieuley. Your suspicion that I was privy to his conveying, for the favour I bore to Master Huttoft and Master Mylle, has been to me as a death. Manzi hid day and night in woods, bushes, and old barns; we got him out of a hay barn and delivered him to Master Perpoint. Hampton, 28 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **766.** Harry Huttoft to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received your letter for the apprehending James Mangii who lately escaped out of sanctuary at Beauly. And where your Lordship has been informed that his escape was effected by my means, I beg you will reward those who so reported as they deserve. I am as innocent as the child unborn. I have made search with my lord of Beaulieu these two days, both aboard ship and in all the forest, and have this night found the said James in a hayloft on a farm beside Hampton. He was hidden half the mow deep, and when discovered seemed more dead than alive. After a while he fell to weeping, saying his abuse was only for fear of your Lordship, and that his keepers menaced him to be carried up like a prisoner. I beg you will have pity on him for he has been severely handled. The bearer Parpoynt has spoken many words more than needeth. My lord of Beauly

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766. HARRY HUTTOFT to CROMWELL—*cont.*

has used very good diligence in this matter and is also much discouraged by the reports made of him. 28 September.

I beg you will remember my two bills, for I must present one of them at the Exchequer now at Michaelmas in discharge of the account.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

767. HARRY HUTTOFT to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Thanks him for his goodness in his great need and unhappiest chance, and also to his poor son. Sends a letter for him received yesterday from Geoffrey Loudaye from Cane, with another for Huttoft, willing him to bargain with the bringer for the Cane stone he brought. Has bought all he had for 3*s.* 10*d.* a ton and the custom, and sent it to-day to Hamyll to discharge, with advice to Mr. Doctor for receiving and meting it. Certain persons have lately maliciously complained of the abbot of Beauly, who has gone to Wriothesley for help.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Wryseley. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **768.** CANONS RESIDENTIARY AT WELLS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Express their satisfaction at Cromwell's accepting the office to be their head and ruler next to the King's Majesty. Chapter House in Wells, 28 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

28 Sept. **769.** JOHN RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Cannot thank Cromwell enough for his goodness to himself and his son. Begs its continuance to him in the suppressed house of Little Malvern, the village there, and the farm of Ellisfeld, wherein he has been a suitor before this and intends to be next term. Begs Cromwell's continued favour in his son's suit for the reversion of his, the writer's, office of the King's Signet in the Marches of Wales. Also for the King's tenants in Little Malvern in their suit for the five bells, which have always served the parish church as well as the monastery, and worth, after 20*s.* the 100, 45*l.* 6¾*d.*, that they may have them of the King, or at least the preferment in their sale, as, in the writer's suit to the chancellor of the Augmentations, was granted; with reasonable days of payment. 28 Sept. *Signed:* "John Russell, Ar."

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. inaccurately:* Sir John Russell, k.

28 Sept. **770.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Mr. Justice Englefilde died, at 8 o'clock this morning, at Bridgenorthe, on his way hither. Having here many great and urgent causes, I beg you to move the King that I may have help of some one of learning and experience. I shall do my part while my "rude carcas" shall endure. The justiceship of Chester and Flint is in the King's gift; here is Mr. Bromley, right well learned, who might have it. Remember the common wealth of these parts which, if I have not help, will decay again; I have over 30 felons and none to help me. Vigilia Michaelis at Shrowisbury. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

28 Sept. **771.** DUKE OF SUFFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. He and other Commissioners of Sewers have seen "the great decay
[1537–9]. and dangers of waters at Boston and elsewhere in these parts," which require speedy remedy. Tatersale, 28 Sept. *Signed.*

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28 Sept. **772.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has kept a new *oyer determiner* here, which began on Wednesday last and only finished this day at noon. Sir John à Wedrington and Jack à Musgrave were to have brought me in a great number of prisoners, but how remiss they have been I forbear to write and shall declare myself on coming. Only three persons have been put to execution owing to their remissness,—one a tenant of lord Dacre's, another under the rule of Jack à Musgrave, the third of Tyndale. Has caused John Heron of Chipchace and Edward à Charleton to be indicted as accessories to the murder of Hodge of Fenwick. Has so tried out the matter that the said John Heron will hardly deny that the murder was done by his procurement. Can get no probable evidence against George Heron his son, but will bring him to London at his coming. Has redressed above 100 wrongs since he came hither, and will leave these parts in far better order. Advises that a letter from the King be sent to lord Dacres to apprehend all thieves in Gillesland and other his lordships. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 28 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Sept. **773.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL.

R. O. On coming to Gravesend last night heard that Cromwell was at Stepney, and intended to have seen him this day, on his passage towards London, but he had removed to Mortlake. Intends to be at Court to-morrow, in accordance with the answer Cromwell sent by Guisnes pursuivant, whom Sandys sent from Canterbury to learn his pleasure. London, Michaelmas day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[29 Sept.] **774.** SIR WILLIAM POULET to CROMWELL.

R. O. The prisoners Cromwell sent to the Court for stealing the King's hawks have confessed the same, and also the stealing of Serjeant Willoughby's hawks by the appointment of Mr. Anthony Lee, whom the King wishes sent to his Grace. The said five persons have also confessed to hunting in Birling park and Posterne park beside Westinhanger, and therefore his Grace has commanded them to Windsor for punishment. They die in Kingston, so the King removes to Assher on Monday next, and has diminished all men's company, and commanded the lords of his Council to signify to the lord Chancellor and Cromwell, at their repairs to Court, to come with only six attendants; which letter Cromwell will have this afternoon. Hampton Court, this Saturday.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Comptroller.

29 Sept. **775.** JOHN PAKYNGTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Offers him 100 marks for the justiceship of Chester, void by the death of Master Englefeld. His fee for his painful office in North Wales is but 50 mks., and 22*l.* of the farm of the suppressed priory of Westwood, in all 55*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Is put yearly to 100*l.* expenses, besides the loss of his gains in Westminster Hall and London. Reminds Cromwell of his promise of recompense for his expenses in the King's service. Wants to know the King's pleasure about John ap David ap Hoell ap Eign' of Caernarvonshire, of whose seditious words he sent up depositions. Shrewsbury, 29 Sept. *Signed.*

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29 Sept. R. O. **776.** Richard Devereux to the Lord President and Council in the Marches of Wales.

Complaining that he had been disturbed in holding his courts at Arustley and Keveiliog, of which he held the stewardship in behalf of his father,* according to an arrangement made between him and my lord of Worcester, by Llewelin ap Moris and David ap Lewis. They had come arm in arm to his courts, and, partly by threats, had driven the suitors away, giving it out that my lord of Worcester had written to the writer's father ordering him to be discharged from the stewardship. These proceedings have brought the country into great disorder, and the people refuse the names of the misdemeanants. Desires to have letters sent that the people shall frequent his courts as before, and to know what is to be done for Moris and Lewis, for whose appearance he has taken sureties. Cannot execute his office without this aid. Lewis and Moris have broken into the jail and let out the thieves, and also one that was committed for treason. Mahuntleythe, Michaelmas day. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.*

29 Sept. R. O. **777.** Christchurch, London.

Valor of the possessions within the city of London belonging to the late monastery of Christchurch, [for the y]ear ended Michaelmas, 29 [Henry VIII.]

Spiritual:—A pension from the sheriffs of London for certain tithes of the monastery of Tower Hill; parsonages of St. Botolph without Aldgate and St. Katharine Christchurch; pensions out of sundry churches in London.

Temporal:—Tenements within the site of the monastery and in 60 parishes (named) of London.

Total, 355*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*, divided under headings "spiritual," "rent farm," and "quit rent."

Paper roll of six pages. The value of each item given. In many of the parishes there is both rent farm and quit rent.

29 Sept. R. O. **778.** Whalley Abbey.

A rental of Whalley Abbey, undated.

On parchment, pp. 27.

R. O. 2. Receiver's account of the issues of the rectory of Rachedale and the chapel of Sadilworth in the King's hands by the attainder of John Paslewe, late abbot of Whalley, from Easter 28 to Mich. 29 Hen. VIII., showing charges of the vicar of Rachedale's pension, &c.

Paper roll of two sheets.

R. O 3. Accounts of the proctors of divers churches and chapels in Lancashire appropriated to the monastery of Whalley. [No date.]

Pp. 20.

R. O. 4. List of the towns and parishes belonging to the late monastery of Whalley, with a memorandum of the tithe corn, which the abbot reserved in his own hands.

Pp. 3. *On two long slips of paper.*

R. O. 5. Valor of the attainted lands of the late abbey of Whalley, Lanc. Total 1,034*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.*, charged with pensions to the vicars of Whalley, Blakeborne, Rochadale, and Eccles, which amount to 95*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

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R. O. 6. Fragment of another valuation of the demesne lands, &c.
Pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

R. O. 7. Account of the amount due to the King at Mich. 29 Hen. VIII. by John Bradyll as bailiff of Whalley, and of sums for which he claims allowance.
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29 Sept. **779.** HUDSWELL'S LANDS.

R. O. Paid by the hands of Edmond Jaclyn to Sir William Tyrwhit 29 Hen. VIII., in "multer corn"* for Hudswell mill from Trinity Sunday to Michaelmas, 11*s.* 5*d.*, and for the tenements in the said town, 17*s.* 6*d.*
At the head house where Hudswell dwelt, the ground was partly sown with wheat and rye, and the residue Sir William caused to be sown with barley and pease to the King's profit, after the custom of the town. The crop was sold upon the ground for 8*l.*
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780. THE BISHOP OF LINCOLN.

R. O. Petition of John bp. of Lincoln to Cromwell, lord Privy Seal, to compel Ric. Layton, archd. of Buckingham, to pay an old annual pension of 20*l.* due to the bp. of Lincoln, which he has refused for 2½ years ended at Mich. 29 Henry VIII., although he obtained deduction for it under the statute of First Fruits and Tenths.
Large paper. Pp. 3.

30 Sept. **781.** SIR THOMAS AUDELEY, Chancellor, to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your last letters, I have caused proclamations to be made for the clothiers and send by the bearer the two commissions for Yorkshire. I intend to be at London in the end of the week. Terlyng, 30 Sept.
Hol.,† *p.* 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

30 Sept. **782.** CROMWELL to the IRISH COMMISSIONERS.

Add. MS. 19,865, f. 6. b. B. M. Desires them to allow Edmund Sexten his reasonable charges for the keeping of the castle of Deriknockane beside Limerick, which he had by appointment of the lord Deputy. Mortlake, 30 Sept.
Modern copy, p. 1. *Headed:* The coppy of the lo. Privie Seal's letters to the King's Commissioners.

30 Sept. **783.** W. FRANKELEYN, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his advice to absent himself from Windsor this dangerous season. Whiddon, one of the choral vicars, is fallen sick of the plague to day in the college; which, with the departure of Mr. Clyfton's servant, is likely to put the residue there in great jeopardy. The residentiaries have determined to send away the choristers to Braye. Mr. Tate will be Frankeleyn's deputy in his absence. For lack of a house, remains in Bedfordshire four miles from Mr. Gostwyke. His house at Windsor is too close and small. Asks Cromwell to help him to get the house of the parson of Hayes, who is absent. Desires credence for Mr. Chamber who intends shortly to come to Bedfordshire. Standmere, 30 Sept.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* The dean of Windsor.

* Moulter, "the toll to the miller for grinding corn." *Halliwell.*
† Not in his own hand.

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30 Sept. **784.** JOHN [LORD] LATYMER to [CROMWELL].

Vesp. F. XIII. 131. B. M.

Where your lordship desires [for] one of your friends my house within Chartusyes churchyard beside Lo[ndon, I] assure you the getting of a lease of it cost me 100 marks besides other pleasures that I did to the house. I wanted it "because it stands in good air out of the press of the city," and I have no other place to lie at when I come to London. Also I have granted it to farm to Mr. Nudygate, son and heir to Serjeant Nudygate, to lie in in my absence. Nevertheless, to do Cromwell a pleasure will surrender it, though he seek a lodging at Michaelmas term himself. The lease is not here but he will bring it up at the term. Wyke in Worcestershire, 30 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Address copied in modern hand:* Privy Seal.

30 Sept. **785.** THE HANAPER OF CHANCERY.

Harl. MS. 283, f. 86. B. M.

Issues and profits of the Hanaper of the Chancery from 30 Sept. 28 Henry VIII. to 30 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.

Receipts, 3,085*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* Petitions for allowance, 1,456*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* Remainder to the use of the King, 1,629*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.* Paid to Master Brian Tuke, 1,206*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Remainder, 423*l.* 1*s.*.3*d.*

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

30 Sept. **786.** PATRICK BARNEWALL* to CROMWELL.

R. O.

The Commissioners have discharged he army to this time and appointed to the Deputy and Treasurer "such number of men as is concluded, taking the wages appointed, which taking farms and manuring the land themselves may be to them a competent living and yet thereby the King's lands a great deal the better inhabited." The Commissioners have now gone about the survey and garrisons to Kildare, Carlow, Wexford, Kilkenny, Tipperary, and Waterford. Trusts the land will be brought to good stay. James Dessemonde, as his messengers reported, will meet the Commissioners and conform himself so that those parts will be brought to good obedience; for the said James is said to be a good "justicer" after his manner and more meet to rule than the young man† that is with the King, though he have the better right. Begs Cromwell's influence that the King may appoint a chief baron of knowlege and experience; suggests his uncle Robt. Barnewall. Was a suitor to Cromwell for licence to take an estate of his own land contrary to the statute against the King's officers purchasing land. It is one of the bills he left with Mr. Wriothesley. Begs Cromwell will get him the licence and also the receivership and constableship when occasion serves, and that he may not be troubled in his office of solicitorship. Dublin, 30 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Sept **787.** J. DE MORBECQUE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O.

At your request I send you a deer (*beste*), which I wish were better. Tournehen Castle, 30 Sept. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

30 Sept. **788.** JAMES BASSET to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Has received her letters and the cramp-rings. When you urge me to learn Latin that is a thing which I specially desire, in order to associate with foreigners. Will devote a year to it if only Mons Le Gras will keep his promise. I wish you had sent him money for clothes that he has had made for me instead of cloth. He has promised to send me to the college of Navarre, and my master with me to take care of me. Will send word how

* Of Fieldston. † James FitzMaurice.

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he finds himself when he is there. Warn the messengers not to give my letters except to myself or Bekinsal or my master. 30 Sept.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Debitis a Callaiz.

789. James Basset to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I had written to my mother that Mons. Le Gras wished to put me to the college of Navarre, but he has changed his mind, for which I am very sorry, because I had made acquaintance with the son of Mons. de Vendome and the sons of Mons. de Guise, seeing that the love made in youth often endures to old age. I beg you will write to Mons Le Gras for 40 crowns of the pension of the principal and 22 for my schoolmaster. When I am not with the principal, by means of Mons Le Gras I shall be with others where I shall be well treated. If not I would ask him to take me away. Could learn more in a year at college than in two at his chambers, as he can speak French well, which he could not do when he was where Mons. Pouyet placed him. Wishes to have as much *esprit* as a Frenchman of his own age and show it in discussion. Mons. Le Gras will do whatever you bid him for he wishes me to learn.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Mons. le Debitis de Callays a Callays.

30 Sept. **790.** John Bekynsaw to Lady Lisle.

R. O. To day Sir William le Gras showed me a letter sent to him from my Lord your bedfellow, about your son Mr. James. My lord of Winchester at his departure on the 23rd inst. discussed with me what might best be devised for him, because Mr. James himself had asked me several times to speak to him; for he had a great desire to learn, and wished Sir William le Gras to put him to some college of exercise. The bishop considering the child's nature and remembering how ill he was treated in the college, when he was put thither by president Poyett, recommended that he should not be put to college but have a tutor. To this I would have agreed if I had hoped to get a learned man at any reasonable price, but considering how a child of good nature is stirred to learn by emulation, I was of opinion he should be put to a college. I showed my Lord that the president Poyett had put him to one where the principal and regent of his chamber would not trust the president of a penny, and he himself went away the day after he had put him in, and when he sent money to the principal for his kinsman, he never enquired how Mr. James did, "trusting, as I conjecture, that he had been dead," as I believe he would have been if others had not taken better care of the child. Now Sir Wm. le Gras, a substantial merchant, looks more tenderly after him than if he were his own son. Paris, 30 Sept. 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* at Calais.

30 Sept. **791.** Card. Pole to Card. Contarini.

Poli Epp. II. 89. Had reached Trent (almost in sight of Italy) before he received the letters of the Prothonotary leaving it to his own judgment whether to winter in Liege or return to Rome. It was therefore not in his power to do anything else than hasten on to Rome. Recognises however in all the letters the Pope's zeal for the cause of God. In his judgment he thinks it was for the best that these letters did not reach him before he had obeyed the former, and that it was God's will he should return. Hopes to be with them in a few days as he writes this from Bovolona, a town of the bp. of Verona not far from Hostilia in the plain of Mantua on the bank of the Po, from whence they will proceed by river by Ferrara and Ravenna. The bp. of Verona will leave him at Ferrara. Was glad to meet at Verona, Contarini's brother Thomas and Matthew Dandulus who had flown thither to embrace him. Priolus, like another Achates, never leaves his side. Prid. Kal. Oct. 1537.

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30 Sept. **792.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to HENRY VIII.

Otho, C. IX. 124. B. M.

Letter of news. The king of France has told the king of Scots that he shall shortly be king of England. French and Turkish ships passed Malta on the 6th inst. going towards the Levant in company. "The prince Dory was at Saragozse (Syracuse) to have [met with] them, the weather served not." The Sophy. Doings of the Emperor's armada. The Venetians and prince Doria. Englishmen not favoured by the council of the Order, who gave an important command to an Italian of 21 years old and only three years standing in the Religion, whose father is ta[ken] going from Florence to Venice and 4,000 men taken and slain with him. Begs him to favour the Englishmen of the Religion, though their power is little here and less will be when the lord master comes. Ill armed state of the Turks. News just come of mortal war proclaimed against the Turk and a league made with the church of Rome [the Emperor] and the Venetians for that purpose. Malta [1537], 30 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Much mutilated. Add.*

30 Sept. **793.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to CROMWELL.

Otho, C. IX. 126. B. M.

To the same effect and almost in the same words as the letter to the King. [Malta], 1537, 30 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Much mutilated. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

794. FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 569.

The bearer, Henry Huttoft,* says the plague has been for a month or six weeks very severe in Portsmouth, and has now got among the dock workmen at work on the King's new ship, half a mile from the town. One was dead and two sick when he left; and as they have but one house to lodge in they threaten to leave. The timber of the said ship is already framed, and three "strakes" thereof planked. If the workmen were discharged and set to work again by Christmas she might be set to sea by Midsummer next. Advises that orders be given to Huttoft accordingly. But for this the ship would have been ready to be launched by All Hallowtide. Guldeforde Manor, this Sunday. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My lord Admiral.

795. [CROMWELL] to MICHAEL [THROGMORTON].

R. O.

"I thought that the singular goodness of the King's highness showed unto you, and the great and singular clemency showed to that detestable traitor your master" in promising him forgiveness of his ingratitude, &c., might either have brought him from his sturdy malice, or encouraged you to be his true subject. But no, loyalty and treason dwell seldom together; you could not have been a spy for the King so long without showing it. Led by a vain promise of promotion you and your master work treason. You think you do the King service by seeing things which being absent you should not have seen, "such, verily, as might have done great damage if you had not seen them." You have "bleared" mine eye once, you shall not deceive me a second time. I think it "much light for you to forge letters, which by words, not long sought for, thus have deceived me." Your duty was to have obeyed the King's commands, not your own fancies; but now you stick to a traitor, to serve a friend of his who mortally hates the King. Your master will declare to the world why the King takes him for a traitor? All princes (almost) already know it; nay, his Grace is beholden to some of them who informed him of the enterprises of "this silly Cardinal." If those who have made him mad can persuade him to

* Not "Huttost" as in St. P.

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print his detestable book he will be as much bound to them as his family are like to be to him. "Pi[ty it] is that the folly of one brainsick Poole, or, to say better, of one witless fool, should be the ruin of so great a family." Let him follow his ambition, and let his goodly book come abroad. Few there are but will think he deserves a shameful death. Expatiates on his ingratitude for the advancement of his family. If his "lewd work" go forth, will he not have cause to fear "lest every honest man should offer himself to revenge this so enorme unkindness?" And you know that the King can make him think himself scarce sure of his life although he went tied to his master's girdle. Ways enough may be found in Italy "to rid a traitorous subject." Amongst your pretty news these are very pleasant, that the wily bishop of Rome intends to make lamentation and desire all men to pray that his old gains may return to him. "Paul popeth jollyly that will desire the world to pray for the King's apeyrement." After the wiles he has practised these three years, shall he not now be thought holy, to cast away his weapon and fall to his beads?

Of the General Council I need say nothing. All know the difference between a general council and an assembly of ambitious manciples; a general council beginneth a day after the Greek Kalends. "Michael, if you were either natural towards your country or your family you would not thus shame all your kin"; the least suspicion will now be enough to undo the greatest of them. If you will turn to your country you will yet find the King ready to forgive you, but if you come not now you may be as evil dealt with in Rome as you have deserved in England. I can only desire your master and you to acknowledge your faults. God send you as you shall deserve, either to come to your allegiance or to a shameful death.

Pp. 5, *in Vaughan's hand.*

796. Grants in September 1537.

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Grants.

1. James Crane, of London, yeoman or serving man. General pardon. Windsor Castle, 28 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Old foorde, 1 Sept.—P.S.

2. Master Hen. Williams, S.T.B. Grant of the canonry and prebend in the collegiate church of SS. Mary and George in Windsor Castle, now void by the promotion of the King's chaplain, Robt. Aldriche, S.T.P., to the bpric. of Carlisle. Assher, 31 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Waltham, 2 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

3. Arthur Plantagenet viscount Lisle, K.G., and Dame Honora his wife. Grant, in tail, of the site ground, &c., of the suppressed priory of St. Mary and St. George, Frethelstok, Devon; the church, bell-tower, and churchyard of the same, &c., with the manors of Frethelstok and Broddwood Wygger, Devon, and the rectory and advowson of the parish church of Frethelstok, and all other possessions of the said late priory in these places, in as full manner as John Sturgeon, the late prior, held them. Annual value, 92*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*:—To hold to the said Arthur and Honora, in tail, with contingent remainder to the right heirs of the said Arthur, by the annual rent of 15*l.* 9*s.* ¾*d.* Grafton, 16 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. . . . . Sept.—P.S. *Pat.* 4 Sep., *p.* 4, *m.* 32.

4. Master Geo. Dey, S.T.D. Presentation to the parish church of Hollesworthy, Exeter dioc., void by death. Assher, 3 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Old Foorde, 4 Sept.—*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 23.

5. Will. Morice, a gentleman usher of the King's chamber. Lease of the manor or lordship of Chippinghonger *alias* Honger at Castell, which came to the King's hands by the attainder of Edward late duke of Buckingham; with reservations; for 80 years from Mich. A.D. 1545, on the expiration of a 21 years' lease granted to Thos. Maple, of Chepinghonger, Essex, yeoman, (in consideration of a fine paid to Thos. Magnus, clk. then general receiver of Buckingham's lands) by indenture dated 4 Mar. 15 Hen. VIII. Manor of [Grafton]* 17 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Olde Forde, 5 Sept.—P. S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 32.

6. James Joskyn. To be clerk of the Wardrobe of Robes and clerk of the King's Beds in England, with fees of 4*l.* a year as clerk of the Robes and 10*l.* a year as clerk of the Beds. *Del.* Westm., 5 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 36.

7. Thos. Woode, clk. Presentation to the perpetual vicarage of the parish church of Walthamstowe, London dioc., void by the death of Ric. Withipoule, and at the King's disposal by gift of Nic. Hancocke,

* Name of place illegible.

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796. Grants in September 1537—*cont.*

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last prior of the monastery of Holy Trinity commonly called Christchurch in London, and by reason of the dissolution of the said monastery. *Del.* Olde Forde, 6 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 13.

8. John Wyly, of the borough of Southwerk, "rattaker." To be the King's ratcatcher, with 4*d.* a day. *Del.* Westm., 8 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

9. Jevan Ap Thomas, of the lordship of Whitney *or* of Baughrud, Marches of Wales, *alias* of Icombe, Glouc., yeoman. General pardon. Assher, 7 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Olde Forde, 10 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 16.

10. Geo. Dey, S.T.D., the King's chaplain. Presentation to the parish church of All Hallows *ad Fenum*, London, *vice* Dr. Bedel, deceased. Hampton Court, 12 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Olde Forde, 13 Sept. —P.S. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 16.

11. John Jervys. To be a gunner in the Tower of London, *vice* John Mayer *alias* Hanse, of Berwyk, deceased; with fees of 6*d.* a day. *Del.* Terlyng, 16 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 12.

12. Rob. Barwykke, a soldier of Berwick-upon-Tweed. Grant (at the suit of Sir Thos. Clifford, captain of the said town) of the office of clerk of the Exchequer of the said town, with the appointment of eight night-watchmen allowed for the augmentation of the night watch there; with fees of 6*d.* a day for himself in the old retinue of the ordnance, for the exercise of the said office, and for two able men under him in the great retinue, 6*l.* for the one and 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year for the other. *Del.* Terlyng, 16 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 12.

13. Anth. Denny, yeoman of the Ward robe of Robes. To be keeper of the Royal Household in the palace of Westminster, with fees of 6*d.* a day. *Del.* Westm., 20 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B.

Inrolled in Pat. 30 *Hen. VIII.* (*p.* 2, *m.* 12).

14. Thos. Myldemaye, sen., of Chelmysforde, Essex, and Thos. Myldemaye, jun., his s. and h. apparent. Grant in fee (in consideration of 79*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* paid to the King) of the under-mentioned tenements, &c. in Chelmysford, viz., a tenement now in the tenure of Hen. Stroode; the tenement called "le Crane" and a meadow and two crofts of land, lately leased to Walter Bayneham, now in the tenure of John Browne; the tenement now in the tenure of John Snell; and two tenements now in the tenure of the said Thos. Myldemaye, sen. The premises belonged to the suppressed priory of Elsingspitell, London, and are of the annual value of 6*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*, to be held by an annual rent of 13*s.* 2*d.* *Del.* Berechurch, 22 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

15. Peter Meawtys, a gentleman usher of the Privy Chamber. To be changer and assayer, comptroller, and clerk keeper of the money and coinage in the Tower of London and elsewhere in England, with the fees attached to those offices in the time of Edw. III. and Ric. II. Hampton Court, 23 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Tarling, 24 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p. 5, m.* 11.

16. Ric. Eton. To be keeper and clerk of the records of Parliament, Chancery, and other courts in the Tower of London. Sunninghill, 31 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Terlyng, 24 Sept.—P.S. *Pat.** *p. 5, m.* 11.

Vacated on personal surrender, "33" (*sic*) April 3 Edw. VI., to the intent that the office might be granted to one Edw. Hales.

17. Peter Van Colen, gunner. To be a gunner in the Tower of London, with fees of 12*d.* a day. *Del.* Terlyng, 25 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p. 5. m.* 12.

18. Sir Will. Gacoigne and Elizabeth his wife. Reversion (in fee in exchange for the manor of Dame Elynsbury and other lands, &c. in Dame Elyns Bury and Bedford Haughton, Beds, granted to the King by the said Sir William), of the undermentioned possessions, leased for 21 years to Sir John Seynt John, by indenture dated Westm. 2 May 29 Hen. VIII., with the rent of 20*l.* 16*s.* thereupon reserved, viz.:—

The house and site of the late priory of Busshemeyde, Beds, and all houses, &c. within the enclosure and circuit of the said late priory; and all the undermentioned lands, &c., belonging to the said late priory, viz., a field called Plasworth feld, containing 300 acres; two pieces of meadow, containing 3 a.; a pasture near the said site, containing 3 a., with a pond there; a meadow called "le longe lesne," containing 8 a.; a pasture called Milfelde, containing 100 a.; a pasture near the said pasture, called "Patsall lease," containing 8 a.; and the closes of land called Great Catburie, Little Catbury and Cootes, containing in all 40 a.; a close of land called "Dovehouse close," containing 40 a.; a field called "le Wyndmylfeld," containing 80 a. and 30 a. of land lying near the said "Milfeld," and a windwill there.

Also of the church, steeple, and churchyard of the said late priory; all messuages, granges, &c., within and without the site of the said priory; all groves, trees, and wood upon the premises leased to the said Sir John; and all manors, messuages, &c. in the vills, fields, &c., of Bushemede, Eyton *alias* Eton, Staplo *alias* Stapelhowe (Stapelow), Honyden, Delhowe, Deuelhowe (Dewlow), Wiboston *alias* Wiboldeston, Parva Stokton (Staughton), Blasseworth, Colmorth, Barford, Chalston *alias* Chalnerston, Cayshoo (Keysoe), Bedford, Mogerhanger and Pertenall (Pirtenhall), Beds;

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Great Stokton and Blasseworth, Hunts; belonging to the said late priory; in as full manner as Rob. Burse, the late prior, held the same, on the 4th Feb. 27 Hen. VIII.; with reservations. The said reversion, &c., are of the annual value of 60*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*, and are to be held by an annual rent of 20*l.* 5*s.* The grantees are exonerated from all claims of annuities, &c., except those of Geo. lord Cobham, the prior and convent of St. Neot's, John Knyght, and John Clerke. Hampton Court, 23 [Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.]* *Del.* [Terlyng],† 26 Sept. "anno subscripto."—P.S. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 1, *m.* 10.

19. Ric. Bartelett, M.D. Grant in fee of the manors of Castell Morton, Longdon, and Bugbury, Worc,, belonging to the suppressed Benedictine priory of Little Malverne; and all lands of the said priory in those places. Annual value, 7*l.*; rent, 14*s.* *Del.* Westm. 28 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 33.

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1 Oct. **797.** HENRY VIII. to the CHAPTER OF WELLS.

Hearne's Trokelowe, p. 271.

Thanks for electing Cromwell, lord Privy Seal, to the deanery of Wells. Asher, 1 Oct.

1 Oct. **798.** MONASTERIES EXEMPTED FROM SUPPRESSION.

See GRANTS in OCTOBER, Nos. 1 and 2.

1 Oct. **799.** CROMWELL.

See GRANTS in OCTOBER, No. 3.

1 Oct. **800.** JOHN BEAMOUNT to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Was informed that one Wm. Barnard of Barrowe upon Soore, Leic., had reported that the King would suppress all the houses of religion beyond Trent, except one. I examined all the persons that were present and enclose their depositions. I sent your Lordship, above 12 months ago, depositions touching the seditious words of Thos. Syson, late abbot of Garadon, to John Bower and others, that the King should be expelled from the realm and slain on his return. The publication of these things has encouraged divers persons to rebellion. Leicester, 1 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Oct. **801.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thanks for his continued kindness. Reminds him again about the remedy of the King's subjects and tenants beyond sea. The French ambassador should be spoken with for restitution of Griffith Appenrithe and other merchants of Calais robbed last week at sea. A pardon should be given to the King's tenants with longer respite for all things concerning the Act of Calais; each tenant occupying his own lands to the value of 5*s.*, 10*s.*, 20*s.*, or 30*s.* a year to continue. The tenants should also be free to sell grain and cattle imported by themselves, &c. All strangers to be denizens to have their patents. Your Lordship promised me yesterday to write a letter of thanks to Mr. Grenefild, marshal of Calais, for consenting to an agreement with Mr. Surveyor. Please thank the Deputy of Calais for his compliance also. Sends articles of grievance by the tenants beyond sea. At the end is one touching the sisterhouse at Guisnes, which was for patients to be conveyed thither from the castle and town: but if any plague broke out now there would be no place of refuge. The substance of the foundation would not be above 10 rasers wheat by year, and the restitution of the poor

* Illegible in P.S. † Illegible in P.S., but supplied from the inrolment.

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801. WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL—*cont.*

women would be a very good deed. Recommends the bearer, Sir Nic. Wadham's son, for the King's service. His mother is the Queen's aunt. Sends Guisnes pursuivant to attend on Cromwell. Bagshot, 1 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Sealed. Endd.*

1 Oct. R. O. **802.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

I thank you for your late entertainment of me when in those parts. I came to Court yesterday, Sunday, 30th Sept., the King being then at Asher, and failed not to present to him, and also to my lord Privy Seal, your recommendations. The latter was glad to hear of your well doing, and appears to be your perfect friend. At the Council in the afternoon I declared the state of these parts, and recommended the confirmation of the patents for denizens, and the King is pleased that all persons you have already named to be denizens shall be admitted to their patents. They have day yet till Christmas, and meanwhile may use the privileges of denizens. My lord Privy Seal says the Act must be enforced touching the letting of lands under the value of 40*s.*, but that any person having such lands by inheritance may keep them in occupation. He says rapeseed is not considered grain, and all the inhabitants, both of the high country and of the low, may sell it as usual. I have solicited these things to the best of my power during my short stay, and the King has given me leave to return without further tarrying to my own house. Last night I came from Asher to Bagshot, and today I shall be at home.

I have moved the King about the goods of Griffith Appenrithes and others, and told the whole story, which was hardly believed before. My lord Privy Seal promises it shall be restored, and letters in that behalf will be addressed into those parts in a day or two. Bagshot, 1 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

1 Oct. R. O. **803.** SIR THOS. DENYS and SIR HUGH POLLARD to CROMWELL.

Have lately received the King's letters commanding them to apprehend Wm. Holand and others for robbing Andrew Hyllersdon. The sheriff of Devon has Holand in sure keeping, ready to send up. The rest of the felons are fled. Will search for them. Hyllersdon says he had hidden under a step at his closet door 140*l.* in gold and silver, and a chain worth 100*l.*, which were taken by Wm. and John Holand and a servant of the former, who took sanctuary in Cornwall, and is now in sanctuary at Westminster. 1 Oct. *Signed.*

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Oct. R. O. **804.** EDWARD SEYMOUR, EARL OF HERTFORD.

"Lands in the possession or reversion" of the earl of Hertford, 1 Oct.,* 29 Henry VIII.

First, given him by the King 60*l.*, which with his inheritance amounts to 1,054*l.* Annuity on his creation of viscount Beauchamp, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Given him by the King at East Hampstead last summer, 20*l.* Annuity at his creation of earl of Hertford, 20*l.* Total, 1,107*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; whereof fees of bailiffs, &c., 91*l.* 15*s.* And there is yearly paid to the lady Sayntmor, his mother, for her jointure, 60*l.*; an annuity to lord Lisle, 120*l.*; and an annuity to one Quynten, 24*l.*

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* His creation as earl of Hertford was only on the 18th Oct. 1537, so that either this date is retrospective, or he was called earl by anticipation.

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2 Oct. **805.** Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to Cromwell.

Titus B. I. 400. B. M.

I thank you for opening my matter to the King. I trust his Grace will be satisfied that I shall be glad to take at his hands what I would at no other man's. I hope the commissions in the North are with your Lordship ere this. I sent them by Stokesley. I must send to London for the other, of a master of Chancery. I think it better the King should make a commission to the bp. of Durham, "being a lettre precident, and Wodall joyntly and several, to take recognysaunces," and I send one accordingly. If you dislike it, on my coming to London about Saturday I will send for the other to the Rolls; or if you will cause it to be sent me I am content to make Woodhal master of Chancery; but I fear the precedent is not good, "for I never made none but gave him oath myself." As to the nomination of judges and serjeants I enclose a schedule, though your Lordship knows all their qualities as well as I. As to whom I think meet for those parts of Wales I think Fitzherbert or Knightley is meetest; both for their dwelling nigh those parts, and for their qualities. Knyghtly is a man of great possessions, "and needeth not to extort; and though he be wilful and full of fond inventions, yet it is to be thought if ever he will be an honest man that now he hath these great possessions, and may have the estimation of a judge he will leave all his old fond fancies and become a new man." Surely he has great wit learning. Was told a great while since that Luke, the judge, was dead, and moved the King for Browne, the serjeant, and Montague to come in his room. If Luke be dead I hope you will favour the suit. Montague is a very honest man and well learned. I thank your Lordship for Grenfeld. Terlyng, 2 Oct.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal.

2 Oct. **806.** Recognizances.

R. O.

Commission to C. bishop of Durham* and John Woodhall or Uvedale to receive recognisances for money in cos. York, Westm., Cumb., and Northumb., the bpric. of Durham, the city of York, and the towns of Kingston upon Hull and Newcastle upon Tyne. Terling, 2 Oct., 29 Henry VIII.

"Concordat cum originale—Jo. Uvedale."

Copy. Lat., pp. 2.

2 Oct. **807.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

My lord Privy Seal has received the puncheon of wine, the falcon, the cheeses, and the mastiff, and thanks you. Mr. Pollard may be remembered when you see time, but Mr. Wriothesley's stallion must not be forgotten, for he intends now to be your friend, and is like to come to such place as to be able to serve his friend. Mr. Bryan has written to you touching the preferment of Mrs. Katharine [Basset] to my lady Mary's service. Has never seen Guisnes, who has been robbed by the French. He left the letter at Hubard's, but has never come again. Will move my lord Privy Seal that you may have liberty to advance your own servants. I am sorry to hear you say that you are weary of your life, for the King is good lord to you; but you are of so noble a nature that you show too much favour, which makes some people presume. It is thought the term shall be adjourned till *Crastino Animarum*, but opinions vary. I should be glad to know the truth, for the allowance of your papers in the Court of Augmentation. I hope to be in Calais in 10 days. St. Katharine's, 2 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

* Crossed out and Robert bp. of Llandaff substituted.

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2 [Oct.] **808.** JOHN HUSEE to [LADY LISLE].

R. O. I have received your sundry letters. Your daughters are merry and in good health. Neither my lady of Sussex nor anyone else can devise how to advance Mrs. Katharine into the Queen's service, and I have no hope of help from my lord Privy Seal or Mr. Bryan, as it is only a lady's suit. As to her preferment to my lady Mary, plain answer is made that her Grace shall have no more than her number. At my coming to Calais I will tell you more, for I know the minds both of my lady of Sussex and my lady Rutland. Mrs. Hutton will cause the high collars to be made, for there were none she liked where she bought hers. I will speak to Mr. Wryothesley in behalf of the priest, but such matters be very earnestly taken here. The Queen's pleasure is that Mrs. Anne shall wear no more her French apparel, so she must have a bonnet or two with frontlets, an edge of pearl, a gown of black satin, and another of velvet. This must be done before the Queen's churching. She must also have cloth for smocks and sleeves, for their smocks are censured as being too coarse. They must also have chests. I have already made Mrs. Anne, by command of my lady Sussex, a new gown of "Rysell worsted, turned up with black velot." Mrs. Katharine's black chamlet gown is new dyed, and her old black damask gown and her tawny chamlet gown have made her kirtles. Lady Sussex has given her a gown of hers of tawny taffeta turned up with tawny velvet, which is new making for her; and her black satin gown must be new bodied. Mrs. Katharine since her coming has always worn a bonnet with frontlet of my lady Rutland's, and Mrs. Anne wears one of my lady Sussex's. Each has a frontlet of black velvet. Mrs. Anne's old gowns will make her kirtles enough for two years. I have also made Mrs. Katharine a pair of sleeves of tawny satin. All this stuff is taken of Chr. Campyon, but is nothing so good as what is bought for ready money. No dishes for conserves have yet come, but towards Christmas there will be. They are made at Bevoys, between Abbeville and Paris. I would send you glasses, but you never wrote what sorts. God send you to be rid of your pain to your heart's desire, "to the rejoisment of your friends and discomfort of others." St. Katharine's 2 Sept.*

"There is no remedy; Culpeper must have a hawk."

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2 Oct. **809.** J. COPYNGER, of Sion, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Touching the interest of our mother abbess in the next presentation to the parsonage of Mychynhampton. She granted the advowson of it to Mr. Beadyll, deceased, and who has it now we do not know. It was covenanted that on the voidance of the benefice Mr. Bedyll should surrender his title and have a presentation to it of such as he should name. If it should come again to the presentation of our mother, I did move her for Dr. Deye,† master of St. John's College, Cambridge, or else for Tornar, of Magdalen's College, Oxford. 2 October. *Signed:* J. Copynger Syonensis.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* the father of Syon.

2 Oct. **810.** SIR FRANCIS BRYAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. When the King was last at Ampthill he gave Sir John Sant Johne the abbey of Bushmead in farm, because he had 8*l.* a year within the same, and it lay so near his house that if he should be driven to remove he could find no place so meet. I am sure his name was entered in the book, but I hear

* Evidently an error for October.

† Geo. Day, S.T.P., admitted master of St. John's 27 July 1537.

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Mr. Gasgyne* labours for the same in recompense of the lands he exchanged with the King. Writes in behalf of Sir John, who is a man of gentle nature. Ampthill, 2 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. R. O. **811.** ANTHONY LEE to CROMWELL.

Remember my poor men in the castle of Windsor; there are many sick of the pestilence round about where they lie, and if one of them should die the burden should lie on my neck. Sir John Russell, bringing me from Hampton Court hither, willed me to tell all that I knew or thought; then, when I was examined before my lord Admiral, I said it must be Sir Edward Nevel's men who so commonly hunted my lord of Wiltshire's grounds, but that I knew of them no act. When Mr. Fane and I have been together he has said he suspected Sir Edward Nevel's men, naming those I named to your Lordship ["yesterd."]† I would rather than 500 marks that it were known, so that I might be out of suspicion. Ascher, 2 October.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. R. O. **812.** SIR JOHN FITZJAMES to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his letter saying that the King has accepted his excuse for not keeping the assizes in Devon and Cornwall. Is in doubt whether this term will be adjourned to *Crastino Animarum* or not. If he does not come to London within four or five days after the beginning of term, asks Cromwell to show this excuse as he sees cause. Redliche, 2 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Lord Chief Justice.

2 Oct. R. O. **813.** ELIZ. LADY ENGLEFYLD, Widow, to CROMWELL.

Her husband is dead.‡ Never had poor woman a greater loss than she and her poor children have of him. Their only hope is in Cromwell, whose help she desires especially for herself and her eldest son, as the bearer, Mr. Vachell, will explain. Englefild, 2 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed.*

R. O. **814.** FITZWILLIAM to CROMWELL.

This afternoon the King, while riding to Hanworth showed him that he had forgotten to tell Cromwell that in the instruction for the person to be sent to Germany he wishes an article inserted to know what the States there will do for him if the Emperor, French king, and bp. of Rome conclude upon a General Council and do anything contrary to the laws of God, his purpose and theirs. On arriving this evening at this house received, by Vachel, Cromwell's letter in his favour for the feodaryship of the Duchy in Oxfordshire which Mr. Englefild had. Knows of no such office which Englefild had, but he had a stewardship of two lordships of the Duchy in that shire, which Hennaige is going to ask the King for. If he obtain it, will ask him to let Vachel have it. Has sent to Mr. Sullyard, and doubts not he will be with Cromwell to-morrow at 8 o'clock.

Added in his own hand: Has perceived to-day by the King so much that he hopes to live to acquit part of the goodness Cromwell has shown to him. *Signed:* Wyllm. Fytzwyllm.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The earl of Hampton.

* Sir William Gascoyne, of Cardington. † Crossed out. ‡ *See* No. 770.

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2 Oct. R. O. **815.** THOMAS EVANCE to CROMWELL.

Rob. Adeyne, servant and tenant to Sir John Hurlestone, came to Martley, Worc., on St. Matthew's day last, and in the house of Ric. Whitney, uttered the treasonous words mentioned in the enclosed depositions. Others were present besides the witnesses examined, of whom one came and told me, for I dwell within four miles thereof; on which I took horse and went thither, but Adeyne had been warned by Walter Harres, another of Hurleston's servants, and had fled. He is now in Gloucestershire with his master. Tuesday, 2 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. R. O. **816.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

Thanking him for, and desiring him to continue, his favour. Shrowisbury, 2 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

2 Oct. R. O. **817.** THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF CHESTER to CROMWELL.

Your Lordship has written to us (9 Aug., delivered by one Ric. Wodwarde 28 Sept.), to put John Hollande in possession of an office of gauger in this city,* granted to him by the King's patent, or else three of us to appear before the Council, the quinzaine of Michaelmas next, bringing with us such grants as we can allege for our defence. The city has been so visited with plague that the Council of the Marches has forbidden us to resort to them. We beg, therefore, you will allow us till Hilary term, which will give us a reasonable time to search our records, and then admit our answer by the mouth of our recorder† whom we lately admitted to that office at at your request. Chester, 2 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. R. O. **818.** DAN JOHN CLEMENT to CROMWELL.

I have received a book‡ from you. I had much trouble to get it from the proctor, who at first said there was none for me, but, when I said I would write to you about it, sent me one in three days. I have almost read it; it is the truest instruction I have ever read. I beg you will remember my confirmation according to your gracious promise. For when I ask the proctor anything he says he will "thrust me out of the door an I speak any more of such things, as touching my diet or surgery." I am daily reproved uncharitably by the proctor, to the great inquieting of my mind and unstableness of my end, which is drawing on fast. I beg you will excuse my writing for I write more by the course of my hand than by sight.

P.S.—I beg that I may speak to you shortly, else we may not long continue good religious according to our profession. All lies in you. 2 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. Vesp. F. I. 5. B. M. **819.** HUNGARIAN NEWS.

On the 2 Oct. 1537 a battle was fought between the Christians and the Turks not far from Buda, when 25,000 Christians were slain or taken prisoners. King Ferdinand had collected from Bohemia, Schlesia (Silesia), and Moravia 18,000; of German foot 2,000, of light horse, stradiotes, and "Husernis" 5,000; among whom were captains John Catzianer, dom. Albertus Slick comes, dom. Andreas Ungenad, Comes Julius ab Hardeck, and Domer Paul. They knew the Turks did not outnumber them, but

* *See* Vol. XI., No. 1453. † John Cavallary. *See* Vol. XI., No. 1497.
‡ Probably "The Institution of a Christian Man."

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while they remained encamped at Buda the latter passed by the place, then harassed them with daily fights, and though the Christians slew or took 2,000 of them, drew them thus away till they shut them in and cut them off from supplies. The Christians then were compelled to retreat; but the Turks occupied by night a mountain which was upon their road, and attacked our men next day in three places, took their ordnance, slew 20,000, and made the rest prisoners. But Domre Paulus that night departed to reconnoitre the Turkish forces with 500 horse which escaped in safety, some think, to the Venetians.

The Venetians also are not very successful, for the Turk has besieged Corfu and carried off more than 20,000 Christian captives, especially of the country people; but after the siege he left the city, and the Venetians now demand aid of the Empire.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. Headed:* Nova ex Hungaria.

3 Oct. **820.** Lady Lisle.

R. O. Receipt by John Husee to Chr. Champion, mercer of London, for certain parcels of worsted, buckram, damask, velvet, chamlet, and satin, for the use of Lady Lisle, total [*5l.* 4*s.*] 11*d.* to be paid on the 15 March next. 3 Oct. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Slightly mutilated. Sealed.*

3 Oct. **821.** Rafe Sadleyr to Cromwell.

R. O. Yesterday one of his servants at his chamber at the Court feeling himself ill, went to his lodging where his horses stand within a mile of Assher, and is there very sick this morning. Informed the King by Mr. Bryan, who sent word that he was to absent himself till he knows what disease the man has. The King also advised him not to repair to his wife, who is great with child, and is at Lyesnes, in Kent. Will therefore go to Hackney which has been and is very clear of the sickness. None died of it there but Mr. Bolde. If his servant has not the sickness, will return. If he is compelled to be away as long as before it will much hinder him. Hampton Court, 3 Oct.

Would have waited on Cromwell but for this chance.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Oct. **822.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Saw yesterday a citation against the abbot of Rievaulx by the quondam, which was sued out of the court under Cromwell's authority. The quondam maintains that the abbot entered on possession without any title, the monastery not being void. Cromwell remembers the sending down of the King's commission to remove him about three years ago. The abbot is an old man, ill able to ride, and of as honest a sort as any religious in these parts, while the other showed himself false and traitorous during the late business. Requests therefore that the abbot be excused from personal appearance. If the abbot be accused of not paying the quondam's pension; it was by Norfolk's command when the quondam was suspected of treason. Sheriffhutton, 3 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Oct. **823.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for his comfortable letter of 7 Aug. No news but of my Lord Lieutenant's proceedings at Newcastle in promoting justice and execution of malefactors. He left Newcastle on Friday 28 Sept., leaving Sir John Weddrington, warden of the Middle Marches, in charge of Riddesdale,

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and the writer with the rule of Tyndale. Few complaints are made of them now. Six of them have been proclaimed outlaws, viz., three principal slayers of Roger Fenwicke, one Edward Charlton, who was indicted at Newcastle as accessory to it at the same time as John Heron of Chipchace, one Ant. Errington and John Heron of the Hall Barns. These six being well kinned may still give trouble, but Carnaby hopes to take such ways as will satisfy the King. Intends on Tuesday next to keep a court at Wark in Tyndale, and will write what is done there. Begs Cromwell to be good lord to his poor brother, the bearer, whom his father wishes to remain in Cromwell's service. Hexham, 3 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

3 Oct. **824.** Charles Martel to Lord Lisle.

R. O. In accordance with your request I send you a couple of goshawks. Hesdin, 3 Oct.

Commend me to my lady.

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3 Oct. **825.** John Hutton to Wriothesley.

R. O. Right worshipful Sir, I have received your letter, dated 24th ult. *Fiat voluntas tua.* Since that I have received a letter from Mr. Richard Lee, with a remembrance to make provision for certain things whereof part concerneth you, so it shall be done with all speed. I have had two pots of silver made for Mrs. Wriothesley, "whose devosions hathe paid for them," and will send them by the first trusty messenger; have also shipped for her a maund of kitchen stuff, consigned to Wm. Sampton. Have written to my lord Privy Seal as follows:—

Whereas there was bruit here 8 days past, that the Turk had taken Corfo, I durst not write thereof because it was not certain. It is now confirmed by letters from Venice dated the 15th of last month, which also announce that the Venetians have broken off their long alliance with the Turk and made a treaty with the Emperor and bp. of Rome, and have made ready near 200 vessels to invade or at least resist the Turk. On Monday last the bastard of Falays brought letters from the Emperor, and the Council was assembled and sat all that day. The next day came, and were admitted, 4 commissioners from the duke of Cleves, to conclude the marriage of the princess of Denmark with his son and heir. Before which assembly I had moved unto the lady Regent, because she and her Council had enacted that none of the King's subjects should send goods in or out of France without safe-conduct and payment of 5 per cent., on pain of confiscation of the goods, contrary to the treaty of intercourse between the King's highness and the Emperor; so that the officers of the tolls and others now refuse to let any merchandise, which they think might "farne" for France, leave this, unless the owners pay 5 per cent. or take oath that it shall not be sold to French subjects. The Council have asked me to have patience, because they have much business, and they will peruse the articles of the treaty and give me reasonable answer. I desire your advice concerning the same. Breuxelles, 3 October.

If you perceive it to be my lord's pleasure that I should meddle further in the matter I have written to him about, I beg you will give me your advice, doubting that my lord will have so much business that he will not busy himself therein. If you could help me to the King's picture, either great or small, the glazier who makes the window has moved to have it, saying he will make it perfect after the pattern. I pray that I may live to recompense you for your fatherly kindness to me. Breuxelles, 3 October.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* At London. *Endd.*

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4 Oct. **826.** CROMWELL to [BRABAZON].*

R. O. Lord Butler has kept the castles of Catherlaugh, Thisteldormont, Kylka, Castelcurr, Knokraffyn and Glaschar during the rebellion and since, and must account for the profits to the King, whose command is that when lord Butler shall so account (he affirms he has obtained from you a respite) you shall allow him reasonable fees at the advice of the Commissioners now with you. Mortlake, 4 Oct.

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827. RAFE SADLEYR to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter. Is glad that the King seems inclined to favour his suit, but regrets that he seems to impute to him a great default for non-attendance, especially referring to his departure from the Court, which was by the King's own command, signified from Mr. Bryan by the mouth of his (Sadler's) fellow Jenyns. To show that he only departed by necessity, encloses a letter from Bryan that his man is either dead or like to die of the sickness. Is in great trouble and perplexity. Is uncertain about the state and danger of himself and folks who were with him at the Court conversant with his servant, and his absence from the Court will so much hinder him that unless Cromwell remember him he will never be able to recover it. Hackeney.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

4 Oct. **828.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Cannot find out who wrote Evers' letter. Has examined a good
St. P. v. 109. number that were with him in the castle. None can write a hand like it except the bearer, Lockewoode, and, next to Gregory Conyers, he has no servant so great with him. Leaves it to Cromwell to examine him as he will not confess to Norfolk. As to the sayings of Wentworth; cannot yet hear where he is but will speak with him before his departure. To try out the truth Ralph Bulmer and his servant Ralph Watson, now at London, should be kept till the Duke's coming without speaking to anyone. Sir Thos. Curwen came here yesterday. He was with Sir Thos. Wharton at the meeting with Lord Maxwell. It is thought the Scotch Queen would have stolen into this realm if Maxwell had not conveyed her beyond Stirling from within 5 or 6 miles of England. Maxwell said all things would go well between the realms if she did not make a breach; but he found great fault with this realm for not obeying the bp. of Rome. Has put Cromwell's servant Wright in possession of Lithe parsonage, though neither Sir Thos. Wentworth nor Mr. Leyton, parson there, have handled that matter clearly. Has examined an accusation of light words against Sir Ralph Evers' wife but can find no proof. My lord of Durham makes small haste hither. "His purse does not feel that mine doth, which was empty a month past and am fain to live of borrowing." Sheriffhutton, 4 Oct.

P.S.—Has heard such news that he repeats his warning touching Ralph Bulmer and Ralph Watson. Thanks Cromwell for favouring the abbot of Warden. *Signed.*

Sealed. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Oct. **829.** SIR THOS. WHARTON to CROMWELL.

Calig. B. III. f. 176. B. M. St. P. v. 111. Has received his letters dated Mortlake, 18 Sept. Cromwell's favour is a great assistance to him in his office. Since writing last by his brother, has met lord Maxwell at a day of march, 27 Sept., which was "a day of great weather." Crossed the Esk to him in a boat; for no horse could pass.

* In the Irish Calendar this is noted as a letter to the lord Deputy, but it does not seem to be addressed to a nobleman.

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829. Sir Thos. Wharton to Cromwell—*cont.*

His brother Sir Thos. Curwen, and others to the number of nine passed over, three at a time. Proceeded well, and appointed to meet Tuesday, 16 Oct., at Gretna church in Scotland, and next day at Rocliffe in England, and so continue meeting until all attemptates be redressed, except for Ledesdall, which Maxwell says shall afterwards be proceeded with. Doubts the ability of the thieves of Ledesdall to redress their wrong done, and whether there is any Scotsman who dare compel them. Some stealing is begun by Englishmen on these West borders, but of no great weight. Has appointed a warden court and sessions of peace at Carlisle this week to see to it.

Bearer can declare news of the queen of Scotland, our King's sister, and of the new Queen, as concluded by the abbot of Arbroath in France, widow of the duke of Guise and daughter of the duke of Longawell.* She brings the King 30,000 francs a year, is 20 years of age, is lusty and fair, and has had one child by her husband. There is talk of bringing her home through this realm. The Scots intend displeasure to the earl of Angus on the Borders. Will not "desire gains inordinate, whereby to wink, but shall look openly to justice." Penrithe, 4 Oct. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

4 Oct. **830.** Richard Lee to [Cromwell].

R. O. I am much bound to your Lordship for your mediation with my father-in-law,† who is now right kind to me. I moved your Lordship concerning ships taken with the King's timber coming to Calais in August last. The owners, Will. Lawles and Adrian Browne, dwelling in Kent, have sent to me divers times, trusting in your Lordship's help. If the timber cannot be recovered, such like must be provided, for no other ships that use this haven can carry timber of such length. Yesterday I received answer out of France from Mr. German,‡ secretary to my lord of Winchester, that plain answer is made, for as much as sentence is passed there is no remedy but by appeal, and that one must be sent thither to follow the same. This I dare not do without further instructions. Calais, 4 Oct. *Signed.*

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4 Oct. **831.** John Cokeson, Waterbailly [of Calais], to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends "a draught" of the revenues of the mayor and aldermen of Calais, which exceed the sum he mentioned. Suspects they make no mention of many of their profits. As to strangers there are several wards, *e.g.*, Mr. Pryselei's, Mr. Screvin's, and Mr. Tate's, in which there are no Englishmen to be constables unless they take soldiers. Calais, 4 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. The statement referred to, giving items amounting to "590*l.* and above," of which the most interesting are these two: Of Hubbert's lands to maintain a grammar school, 11*l.*; for tutelage of pupils and "orphants," 12*d.* of every pound, estimated as worth 20*l.* a year.

In Cokeson's hand, pp. 2.

5 Oct. **832.** Henry VIII. to Gardiner.

Add. MS. 25,114, f. 271. B. M. Has received his letters of the 28 Sept., "declaring the return of Skepperus with his entertainment, and the determination for the sending of Mons. de Villiers to the Emperor." Has also seen his letters to the Lord

* Really, the duke of Guise's daughter and Longueville's widow.

† Sir Ric. Grenville. ‡ Germayn Gardiner.

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Privy Seal. Is anxious to discover the certainty touching the peace which Gardiner thinks is brewing between the Emperor and the French king. Is to tell the French king that the King is much rejoiced at his perfect recovery, though he cannot approve of his intention, intimated by the French ambassador, to cross the mountains in person. Then for a cover to his inquiries touching the peace, he shall tell him that sundry French men of war upon the seas have spoiled English subjects: that several of them, being apprehended, were discharged out of consideration for France, although they were pirates whom the league could not have protected, on the French ambassador promising that they should conduct themselves better in future; nevertheless some of the very ships thus set at liberty have since renewed their depredations. Amongst others two of the vessels taken by Sir John Dudley, after being thus released, coming into the Downs, robbed a ship of Calais. He shall, therefore, desire of Francis to give instructions that those who go to sea may know a friend from an enemy. Here Gardiner may of himself enlarge upon the King's cordiality and intimate that it is plainly declared that the Emperor and Francis are in treaty, and on his reply, either yes or no, say that no one would be more glad than the King that he should have an honourable peace, provided he performed his promise, not to make peace without including England as a principal contrahent. Gardiner shall also inquire of him frankly, as of himself, what he proposes to do touching the bp. of Rome's indicted council prorogued till this November, and remind him of the promise he made about that matter, both by his own mouth and by his ambassadors, especially the bailly of Troyes, not to assent to any council in which England did not concur. He must use every argument with Francis to this effect, appealing to his honour, his amity with England, and the unsuitableness of the place and time, but is not to let it appear that he has any commission on this head. Hampton Court, 5 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

Pp. 4. *Add.:* Bishop of Winchester, Ambassador in the Court of France. *Endd.*

5 Oct. R. O. **833.** JOHN BISHOP OF BATH to HENRY VIII.

Received last night the King's letters for the advowson of the archdeaconry of Wells. Intended to have sought the King's leave to give it to a chaplain of his own, and expected that His Highness, hearing of the chaplain's good qualities, and having already had the deanery, would have consented. But now, perceiving by the lord Privy Seal's letters the King's desire for it, sends the advowson by bearer. Prays God that the King may furnish Wells cathedral with no worse an archdeacon than he has already furnished it with a dean. Banwell, 5 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

5 Oct. R. O. **834.** JOHN BISHOP OF BATH to CROMWELL.

I thank your Lordship for your servant, my brother Thomas Clerk, and for your letters and the King's. I send the advowson of the archdeaconry of Wells by bearer, the person for whom I wrote to be your bailiff at Wedmore. I have ventured also to write to the King, but the letter may be delivered or not as you think fit. I thank you for the books* you sent me; much diligence seems to have been used in the printing. "In mine opinion it is the most plain, sincere, and solemn doctrine that ever was set forth. And I doubt not but the authors and the setters forth of the same, and *inprimis* your good Lordship, shall have as much thank and praise for the same of God and the world as ever ye had of thing. And God forbid but that we should every

* Doubtless a number of copies of "The Institution of a Christian Man."

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834. JOHN BISHOP OF BATH to CROMWELL—*cont.*

man enforce yourselffis (*sic*) to teach and publish the same to the people accordingly." Assures Cromwell, whatever pickthanks may report, that as much honour is spoken of him here in this and other matters as he could wish. Banwell, 5 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Oct. R. O. **835.** H. EARL OF WORCESTER to the LORD PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL in the MARCHES OF WALES.

Has received his letter dated Shrewsbury, 1 Oct., and also that of his cousin Richard Devereux. If his servants have misdemeaned themselves in Arrustly and Kevilyok will have them punished. Asks him not to believe Devereux, who bears them malice. Since he left his Lordship, the King has sent him a commission to himself and Jeffrey Chambre, surveyor-general of the King's purchased lands, for levying "a knowledge" due to the King after the duke of Richmond's death, amounting to 300*l.*, claimed by lord Ferrers, and also for surveying the said lordships. Found that lord Ferrers had levied part of the money, and wrote to him to hold no courts till the King's pleasure were known. Contrary to which "my said cousin Devereux" has attempted to hold courts, saying untruly that lord Ferrers had a patent of the Earl for life. As the country will not obey him, he is making trouble there. Finds that lord Ferrers and his son, being noblemen, are too high to occupy any office under him, and asks the lord President to notify this to them. Hears that Devereux said he would hang those who had been suitors to him against lord Ferrers' deputies. Tynterne, 5 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*

5 Oct. R. O. **836.** RIOTS IN CUMBERLAND.

i. Indictment of Wm. Routlege and Thomas his son, late of Lukkyns de Levyn, Cumb., for having, with Will. Armstrang *alias* Willy Cut, Edm. Armstrang his brother, Alan Forster *alias* Blontwod, John *alias* Jok Halidaye, and John Graye, Scots, assembled to the number of 50, on 7 June 29 Hen. VIII., at Hestedeheshe on the water of King in Gillesland, Cumb., attacked and murdered Thomas and John Crawe and Thos. Crawe, jun.

ii. Grand jury (named) at Carlisle, 5 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., before Sir Thomas Wharton, King's deputy warden of the West Marches.

iii. Special jury at Carlisle 5 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., before Sir Thos. Wharton, viz.:—Sir John Louthre, John Leyghe, Thos. Sandforth, Lancelot Lancastre, Chr. Crakenthrope, Thos. Salkeld, Gilb. Wharton, John Denton of Carlisle, and Robt. Lamplewghe, esquires, and Wm. Mulcastre, Wm. Osmoderley, and John Nykson of Comdoveoke, gentlemen. —— Wm. Routlege, indicted of treason, acquitted. Thomas Routlege, indicted of treason, found guilty.

Latin, pp. 3, *sewed together. Endd.*

5 Oct. R. O. **837.** THE IRISH COMMISSION.

Presentments of the jury of the steward and elders of Kilkenny, 5 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., before the lord Deputy, Ant. Seyntleger, Geo. Poulet, Thos. Moyle, and Will. Barners, Commissioners. Ric. Shee and 12 other jurors named.

Exactions, robberies, and murders done by Thomas Fitzmorice, Patrick his brother, and Andrew Thomas his son, by James Butler Fitztybod, by the

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lord of Ostrey and his wife, lord James Butler and Ric. Butler, by the lord Shertell and Baron Grace, by Lysaghe McConyll and Rosse Mchunedof (?) of Slymagre, by Adam Bremaughe of Crabale, by John Butler Fitztybod, by Robt. Grace, son of Baron Grace, by Robt. Forstell, of Kylferrouthe, and by Patrick his son. Gallowglasses kept by Ostrey. The prior of Inystyok and abbot of Gerypont obstruct the river with weirs. The fishermen of Inystyok who have the carrying of wine to the town, drink it. Ostrey and other lords make statutes of their own. Forestallers. Bribes taken by officials. Statutes of Kilcas used by Ostrey "and by his Irish judge called a Brehen;" copies in possession of the sheriff of Kilkenny, bp. of Waterford, and Rory McLaughere, a judge of the country. The King's charter to Kilkenny denied by citizens of Waterford. Exactions by priests. Ostrey has married two daughters to McGelle Patrik and Donough Brenne, both Irish. Baron Grace has married Robert, his son and heir apparent, to Ossory's daughter. Ossory has the toll of the market of Kilkenny. —— (*blank*) Grace, bastard son to the baron, has married "Donough Offolyns daughter, of Ossory." Edm. and Ric. Def of Comerford stole five hives from Ric. Rothe five years ago, and have restored three.

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R. O. 2. Presentment of a jury of the commonalty, headed "The verdict of the commoners of the town of Kilkenny." John Lye and 15 other jurors named.

That the lord of Ostrey, his wife and children, baron Grace, Porcell of Ballywhele, Blaunchefilde, James Sweteman, Robt. Sertall of Hyggons Town, Edm. Butler of Butler's Wood, Piers Skantwell, Thobod Butler, his wife and children, the baron of Brownesford, Patrick Porcell of Lowyston, Kaer More Makphoris, Walter Brennaghe and Edm., Walt., and Ric., his sons, and many others (named), and generally all the freeholders in the county, charge their tenants with coyne and livery; and so do the bp. of Ostrey, the abbots of Jerypons and Kyllcole, prior of Kellis, abbots of Holy Cross and Duske, bp. of Leighlin, and all the spiritualty. Ossory, lord James Butler, and James Oghe Butler, of Slewarde, take up oats in Lent without paying, &c. (certain of their servants named). The baron of Brownesford and his officers use "black men," that is, charge the country for eight score gallowglasses when there are but 100, and keep the residue of the money. The harbingers (named) of Ossory and lord Butler take "black money," that is, bribes, for sparing certain towns from coyne and livery. In the town the King's laws are used, but in the country Obrene's laws and the statutes of Kylcasshe. The town of Waterford will not accept the King's charter granted to Kilkenny. Names of certain of Ossory's servants who committed a robery and rape, and are unpunished. Long lists of forestallers. Ossory has forcibly seized Walt. Archer's lands called Wasesishayes of Rose; John Grace, the Baron's son, has seized John Frenge's land called Black Wood. List of numerous robberies and assaults. Ossory has seized the castle which long belonged to the earl of Ormond. Other items of excessive fees taken by churchmen, illegal tolls, &c., among them that the fishermen of Innerteok drink the wine and fill the vessels up with water.

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6 Oct. **838.** Cromwell to [the Irish Commissioners].

R. O. Hearing of the steadiness of the citizens of Waterford in their allegiance and the relief they have given to the King's army, especially to Wm. Seintloo's retinue, the King commands you in all their suits to extend to them your lawful favour. Mortlake, 6 Oct.

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6 Oct. **839.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has this day heard that "the death" is extremely sore in London, and the term put off till after Hallowmas or, as some say, Christmas. Also that the death is in Kingston and other places near Hampton Court, so that the King has sent a great part of the Court thence; and that his Majesty went himself last week to Ashire for four days, so that less resort should be to Hampton Court, where the Queen has taken her chamber; and that no young folks may come within the gates. Since he has not heard from any one near London these 15 or 16 days past, and gives no credit to such reports, sends his servant to Cromwell to know whether he should come up to Court with his usual company, about 40 horses, or a smaller number; also whether he shall bring his son of Surrey whom he has appointed to meet at Ware; and also because he would not come to the King "out of any contagious air," which way he had best keep. Asks likewise concerning the term. Owerton, 6 Oct. 11 p.m. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

6 Oct. **840.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 382. Asks his favour for that poor priest, Sir Large, wronged by means of one Mr. Clopton, who neither did hear him, nor, if he had, could judge his doctrine, but zealously for lack of right judgment stirred the people against him, as Master Nevell can tell. Commits good Master Lucy to his goodness. 6 Oct. at Pershore, in his visitation.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

841. LATIMER'S VISITATION.

L.'s Remains, 242. Injunctions given by the bp. of Worcester in his visitation to the clergy of his diocese, A.D. 1537, 29 Hen. VIII.

Reproves the ignorance and negligence of divers curates and, for the suppression of idolatry and superstitions, enjoins that henceforth the King's injunctions be kept, and that since the King has licensed the Scripture to be read in English, each of them provide a whole Bible, or at least a New Testament, both in Latin and English before Christmas next; that each of them read at least one chapter a day, comparing the Latin and English; that each provide for himself a copy of the *Institution of a Christian Man*, lately set out by the prelates, &c.

842. PRIORY OF WORCESTER CATHEDRAL.

Burnet, v. 442. Wilkins, III. 832. Injunctions given by bp. Latimer, in his visitation, to the prior and convent of St. Mary house in Worcester, 1537. Similar to the preceding, but with some differences. The prior to have a whole Bible in English at the charge of the monastery, to be fast chained in some open place, either in the church or cloister, and each religious person to have at least a New Testament in English by Christmas next. When there is any preaching in the monastery all singing and other ceremonies shall be laid aside during the preaching time. A lecture of Scripture in English to be read every day except holidays.

6 Oct. **843.** G. LOVEDAYE to CROMWELL.

R. O. [1537-8.] This day the parson of the two parish churches, Balingham and Campe, is dead. Both livings are within the county of Guisnes, and both in the King's gift. Recommends Mr. Mason, now with Mr. Wyat in Spain, for preferment. Calais, 6 Oct.

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* Lord Ferrers.

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6 Oct. **844.** MELANCHTHON to F. MYCONIUS.

Corpus Reform. III. 415.

* * Here I have read the King of England's explanation why he will not come to the Council. I was surprised at the freedom of the writing; for he inveighs with the utmost bitterness against the Pope. No news of Italy. The Turk has retired, but taken the port of Corfu (*Confinii* qu. *Corfinii*?) from the Venetians; which will be the cause of a new war. Sunday after St. Francis day, 1537.

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[6 Oct.] **845.** MELANCHTHON to VITUS THEODORUS.

Ib. III. 416.

Has seen the "excusatio" in which the King of England gives his reasons for refusing to come to the Council. "Sunt ἄμαξαι λοιδορίων contra Pontificem." Offers to get him a copy. Sunday after St. Francis day.

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[7] Oct. **846.** [CRANMER] to [SIR THOMAS CHEYNEY?].

R. O. C.'s Works, 349.

Reminds him how frequently he has exhorted him to alter his judgment and be an example to the King's subjects within Cranmer's diocese in obeying the ordinances set forth by the King and Council for the extirpation of superstition and the bp. of Rome's doctrines. Must now be plain with him or complain to the King, for it will be useless for Cranmer to preach the Word of God or the King's ordinance if he and others, both of the commons and gentlemen, are known to be of a contrary opinion and endeavour to extinguish the knowledge of God. He evidently cannot abide any reformation of abuses in the Church, and encourages people to murmur against the King's ordinances, his Council, and the Abp. Several of his servants have misreported this new book of the clergy's determination which has come forth by the King's commandment† as putting the new learning to silence. If their words be not seditious, knows not what may be cause of sedition in this matter. Those who began the rebellion in Lincolnshire had no better occasion to turn the hearts of the people against their prince than such communication as is used here by your maintenance; and it grieves me that you, who have received no small benefits from the King, and are reputed one of his Council, should thus slenderly regard his godly intent in the reformation of doctrine. It is everywhere said in Kent that the people dare not read God's word for fear of your threats at 'sizes and sessions.

It is not true that ceremonies, pilgrimages, and purgatory are restored by this book as your servants insinuate, but it is true that old good usages are restored, such as those of the primitive Church. Insists that it is his duty to show the people the blindness they have been led into of late years. But for the favour he bears him Cranmer would proceed against some of his servants as heretics. [Ford, 2 Oct.]

ii. [CHEYNEY?] to [CRANMER].

Received yesterday at Minster, in Thanet, Cranmer's letters written at Ford on the 2nd. Had always supposed Cranmer to have been much more his good lord than he now finds him; for it seems he always took him to be a man that favoured not the Word of God, and notwithstanding his favourable acceptance hitherto of the answer made by the writer to him personally, he perseveres in that opinion. Declares that he loves and fears God as a true Christian ought to do; and if Cranmer will act as a true Christian prelate to God, and also do his duty to the King as he himself has done, neither of them will have cause to repent. Has not been used to dissemble. Has not impugned the preaching of Cranmer and his substitutes or let any people of the diocese from exercising themselves in the knowledge of God's laws.

† "The Institution of a Christian Man."

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846. [CHEYNEY ?] to [CRANMER]—*cont.*

Cranmer has been too ready to listen to the reports of liars. Resents being compared to the traitors in Lincolnshire, and the imputation that he hates God's word and cannot abide reformation of abuses. Wonders Cranmer credits such reports without hearing him. Denies supporting old superstitions by his authority, for he has no authority but of the King. As to the book of the clergy's determinations, will abide by what he said openly at the last sessions at Canterbury, and will let his servants answer for their own words. Has no need to be reminded of the King's benefits to him. As to his threats at assizes and sessions, has spoken openly and is sure that he neither offended God, the King, nor his own conscience. As to his blindness in reading the new book, is in truth so blind that when he read it it seemed perfect in itself and to require no expositor. If Cranmer has cause to convent his servants let him not forbear out of regard to him. Sandwich, Wednesday, 3 Oct. a° 29.

iii. [CRANMER] to [CHEYNEY ?].

Has received his letters dated at Sandwich, 3 Oct., in answer to his own of the 2nd. Finds he cannot bear friendly exhortation, for he answers as if there were no ground of suspicion; which if Cranmer could believe he would gladly abide reproach for writing so unadvisedly and make him large amends. Is sorry that he endures better to be evil spoken of by many behind his back than to abide a friend's simple and loving admonition. Denies that he has dissembled with him. He was reported not to be a favourer of God's word before Cranmer knew him. Never doubted his zeal towards God, but whether it were according to knowledge, especially as he was not so diligent in sessions and elsewhere to set forth things requisite to our salvation, such as justification by Christ's Passion only, the difference between faith and works, &c., as in setting forth mere voluntary things which have no foundation in Scripture, and which though they have obscured the very articles of our Faith are restored at sessions and in leets to their old use, without any mention made of the abuses, or of things necessary for salvation. Does not impute this to malice, but to his not discerning things commanded by God and by His Word from things ordained by man; which manner of discerning has no doubt been disregarded for many years. Advises him to ponder on this subject these late determinations of the clergy, which he thinks so plain as to need no declaration.

Hopes he does not believe what he has written, that Cranmer gives light credence to liars whom he has set as spies upon him. Has never been suspected of such conduct. If he had wished to undermine him, would not have written to him so plainly, but complained to the King's Council. Had no intention of comparing him or any one to the traitors in Lincolnshire:—only pointed out what his servants' words might lead to, and is sorry he ascribes to himself what Cranmer believes he can prove against them. Expected rather that he would have asked the names of his servants, and the time and place, and to whom the words were spoken.

Begs him not to take his admonition for the worst. He has no cause to regard it otherwise than as friendly, seeing it is a private communication. If he cannot thus take it, remits the judgment to the King and Council.

iv. [CHEYNEY ?] to [CRANMER].

Received yesterday his second letter calling the previous one "a friendly exhortation" which Cranmer alleges that he cannot bear. Thinks this was on account of certain comparisons in his answer, but he was not distempered when he made them. Knows the difference between a friendly admonition and a "captious impetition" or dangerous threat. Does not require an apology, but will beware of his lordship hereafter. Believes Cranmer

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invented the objection that he was accused of not favouring the Word of God before Cranmer knew him; for at their first meeting at Otford the Abp. advised him to apply himself to the study of Scripture, which before he had been afraid to do. The things which he imputes to him as having omitted to set forth in sessions are more pertinent to the office of a preacher than of "a sitting justiciar in a temporal session of peace." Knows nothing of the voluntary things set forth which have obscured the Faith. Never heard the King's courts so defamed as by Cranmer saying the worst things are there declared and nothing said of the best. Desires to know the grounds of Cranmer's imputations. Has no fear of his lordship's complaints, and trusts never to have more dangerous matter to answer. Raynham, the first Sunday of October.

Copies, pp. 12. *Endd.:* The copy of a letter of exhortation with also an answer to the same.

[7 Oct.] **847.** HERRY POLSTED to CROMWELL.

R. O. As the bill signed for Michelham concerns Cromwell, thinks it good to let the patent be made without any privy seal that the warrant signed by the King may remain here, in the Chancery, of record.

Reminds him that if the King pleases to adjourn the term, it may not be adjourned before the *quarto die post*, which is the first day in full term, viz., 9 Oct., so that Cromwell's recovery may go through that day against lords Huntingdon and Hastings. The Rolls, Sunday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my Lord my master.

7 Oct. **848.** ROBT. [ALDRICH], BISHOP OF CARLISLE, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received his letters on the 8th* inst. by Mr. Udall, late schoolmaster, whose room is now occupied by Mr. Tyndall,† Cromwell's true scholar and beadman. Will see Cromwell's injunctions performed as directed, and apply himself to the reformation of all such negligence as he can espy, either in himself or in those who are at his direction. Has sent those latter injunctions to the diocese of Carlisle, charging the commissary to be diligent until he can come himself, which will be when "the depe of this wyntour" is passed. As to Cromwell's other letter reminding him of his promise to Cromwell's servant Mr. Whalley, made no promise but that he would be good to him for Cromwell's sake. At Cromwell's installation,‡ Whalley spoke to the bishop, who said he would be ordered by Cromwell. Spoke afterwards to Cromwell about him at Nette, when Cromwell was minded to have lain at Carlisle house in London, and will submit the whole to him. Much is offered him for the lease, and his predecessor has left nothing unlet for more years than he or his successor will probably see. Has told his whole mind to Danyell, Cromwell's servant, and will do what he wishes about making a farther lease. Eton, 7 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Oct. **849.** THOMAS POWELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to his former letter, concerning the advowson of Hampton, the bearer can show how Powell got it at great cost of Mr. Bedle more than a year before his death. Never spoke with his (Bedle's?) woman. Hopes Cromwell will let him enjoy it if he live so long, especially as he has been

* Sic.

† His name does not occur in the list of headmasters printed by Ackermann (Hist. of Eton Coll., 59), in which "—— Smyth, 1542," is the first name that occurs after Udall.

‡ As knight of the Garter, 26 Aug. 1537.

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pleased to put him to the King, "which have no manner of benefice in this world." Wishes Cromwell, rather than take displeasure, to take the advowson, not doubting but he will see his charges recompensed. Oxford, 7 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Oct. **850.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received this day Cromwell's letter of the 1st ordering him to keep under arrest the ships of the Steelyard till it was tried whether the Frenchmen had any right to them. On receipt of Rochepot's letter Norfolk perceived that the Flemish ships were taken by his servant four days after the truce; so that he confesses them to be no good prize. Has therefore delivered to the Flemings the two ships that were at Hull. Rochepot's servant will be at London this day se'nnight ready to answer for what is lacking. The Easterlings' ship remains at Whitby till further orders. Thinks it ought to be delivered. Owerton, 7 Oct.

P.S. in his own hand. Whereas I lately wrote to you to keep Ralph Bulmer and his servant Ralph Watson in ward, whom I suspected of counterfeiting Sir Ralph Evers' letter and hand; I have made inquiry and think, at my coming up, I shall lay so evident matter against the said Sir Ralph that it shall not be for his honesty to have so obstinately denied his hand as he has done. I therefore request you to forbear to handle Ralph Bulmer and Watson as I wrote, but to cause Lokwode, Evers' servant, to be straightly kept till my coming. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed and Endd.*

7 Oct. **851.** EDWARD ARCHBISHOP OF YORK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is glad Cromwell has bestowed the prebend of Massham on one of his kinsmen who is said to be toward. Has come, from preaching in the West, to Ripon, where he will set some order, for only Draggeley had the rule there and custody of the jewels, who has not shown fitting qualities for a ruler, but promises to amend. Wishes another living provided for Joye, a prebendary there who is no priest. He is the King's servant, and kinsman to Dr. Layton. Remonstrates against Cromwell's orders by his registrar and by Master Clifton, the late bp. of Carlisle's chaplain, to release the sequestration of that bp.'s goods. The abp. of Canterbury only granted administration within his own province. Sir John Dauncye, who formerly agreed to take administration of the writer (as decided upon by the bishops of Durham and Bath) now says Cromwell has commanded him not to do so. But for the sequestration the present bishop would have seized the goods for dilapidations. Cawood, 7 Oct. 1537. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

7 Oct. **852.** WALTER DEVEREUX [LORD FERRERS] to the LORD PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL in the MARCHES OF WALES.

R. O. Reminds them that he and the earl of Worcester appeared before them at Wigmore in Whitsun week last in their dispute about the stewardship of Arustley and Kevileok in Powys; and there, in presence of his Lordship, Mr. Packington, justice of North Wales, Thomas Holte, the attorney, and others of the Council, he gave up his patent of the office during the Earl's life for one during pleasure, on the Earl's promise not to put him out of the office. His son, Richard Deveroux (his deputy there) has written that the Earl has sent letters by his servants David ap Llewys and Lln. ap Morrys ap Atha of Aroistley (who are "light" persons, as you know), one

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to discharge him of the stewardship, the other to the country to give him no courts nor payments, so that those countries begin to be "far out of frame." Upon that, wrote to Mr. Geoffrey Chambre, general surveyor and receiver of purchased lands and late commissioner there, whose commission was but for the King's entry and arrears, not for tallage or other payments, as appears by the copy of the commission. Showed this to Chambre, who was with him at Charteley in September last, when he demanded arrears from him, and he wrote to the said David and Lln. and the King's tenants of Arustley and Keviliok to pay their money to him as before. The said David and Lln. have broken Powys gaol and let out the prisoners, amongst others the fellow committed for seditious words against the lord Privy Seal, in presence of his Lordship's servant Jaynckyn Lloid ap Thomas, of Kidwellys land, at Llangerike fair, who was brought before the Council in the Marches by Devereux and committed to gaol till the will of the King's Council should be known. This is a perilous example, unless David and Lln. are punished, who are under sureties to appear before the lord President and Council at six day's warning, as his said son Richard sent word. Begs he may enjoy his office, and that the King's subjects may be kept in quietness. Begs to know their pleasure in the premises. Charteley manor, 7 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Right Reverend father in God, my lord President, &c.

7 Oct. **853.** Isidorus Monachus to Card. Pole.

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Congratulates him upon his return from his embassy in safety, with the bp. of Verona and all their company, especially Alovisius. Expresses grief that they did not come through Modena and that he could not meet them. Modena (*Mutina*), St. Peter's Monastery, Non. Oct. 1537.

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7 Oct. **854.** Charles V. to Bernardo Ariete.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 1. B. M.

Affairs of Florence and proposed marriage of the Duchess with Cosmo de Medicis. The exiles, Philip Strozzi, Alex. Vitello, card. Cibo, &c.

Spanish, pp. 8. *Headed:* Monçon, 7 Oct. 1537. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

8 Oct. **855.** Richard Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O.

Sends, as a remembrance, 12 pheasant cocks and 8 pheasant hens. From my poor house, 8 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. wrongly* "Sir Thomas Wharton."

8 Oct. **856.** Sir Geo. Carew to Cromwell.

R. O.

On Tuesday last, for the great death at Exeter, the quarter sessions were held at Kyngsbryge. Was not there himself for fear of the death. His under-sheriff writes that Wm. and John Holland and Peter Balyne are indicted as principals for robbing Hyllarsdon, and John Holland, father of William and John, as accessary. If he had been there himself there should have been more bills of accessaries laid in. It shall be remembered at the gaol delivery. No such matters shall be hidden or borne out while he dwells here and has knowledge of them. Asks Cromwell to be good lord to his kinswoman Mary Courtenay, and to write to Mr. Copleston to cause the marriage to be made between her and his son, and to cause sufficient sureties to be made for the payment of 100 mks. a year. He has received 100 mks. of his duty, and thinks not to marry them till he has the whole, putting it off from day to day. Monysawtry, 8 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

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8 Oct. **857.** WALTER DEVEREUX [LORD FERRERS] to the EARL OF WORCESTER.

R. O. I received this 8th Oct., by John Body, the bearer, your letter dated Tyntern, 9 Aug. last, for me to keep no courts in Arustly and Keviliock, contrary to the order of the Council at our late being at Wigmore. The King's commission to you and my friend Geoffrey Chambre, surveyor of purchased lands, was only for the entry for the King there, and arrears, not mentioning any tallage, &c. as appears by the copy remaining with me. Chambre, who was here at Charteley in September last demanded the arrears "and I brought him that same" whereupon he wrote to David ap Llewys, Lln. ap Morrys ap Atha, and other the King's tenants of Arustley and Kevilcok to pay to me as accustomed. I beg you therefore that I may occupy the office according to the order of the Council upon your promise. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Marked:* "Copia."

8 Oct. **858.** SIR RICHARD BULKELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. My father, grandfather, and myself, have been farmers in the stewardship of Cleveok and Llanllibeo, in Anglesea, this hundred years and more, and have ever let the land to the inhabitants as tenants at will of the King. They never found a grievance till now that they are procured by gentlemen of the country, John Owen and Roland Owen, his brother, whose lands adjoin the King's lands. If this simple fellow Hugh ap Ll. ap Mad. and other complainants against me, who pretend to be heirs of the King's land, were heard, they would in time suffer the said John and Roland to encroach on the King's lands as has often been done in the country before. Mr. Parker and Mr. Hakins, auditors of North Wales, can show you what trouble I have had since I was chamberlain of North Wales to guard the King's inheritance from the encroachments of certain gentlemen of the country. The bearer, the King's servant, can show you more. I beg you to remit the examination of this matter to the King's surveyors. Bewmares, 8 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Oct. **859.** THE IRISH COMMISSION.

R. O. Verdict of the gentlemen of the county of Kilkenny at the sessions held at Kilkenny, 8 Oct. 29 Henry VIII.

Jury:—John Grace, Jas. Sweteman, Jas. Comerforthe, Gilb. Dobyn, Peter Forstall, Ed. Forstall, Jas. Purcell, John Smyth, Edw. Watoun, Walt. Cowik, Ed. Datowne, Wm. Howell, Oliv. Shortall, Ed. Shortall, Patrick Forstall, John Croke, and Ed. Blanfeld.

Coyne and livery and many other exactions charged by the earl of Ossory, (12 *items*). Harpers, rhymers, and messengers, take meat and drink by custom. Edm. Butler, bastard son to one James Butler, wanders about the country taking "foyes, cuddyes, coshers, money, and oats" of all the inhabitants. Exaction of swine by the Irish judges called Brennes. Fees taken by curates. *Pp.* 3.

R. O. 2. Verdict of the commoners of the county of Kilkenny.

Wm. Troddye of Callam and 16 other jurymen.

Extortions by the earl of Ostrey (9 *items*), Edm. Fitzjames of Ormond, and the Irish judges. Last Midsummer James Kennedy, son of the prior of Knocktover, burned the house of Donough Makdonell, and the Irish judge fined the prior 10 mks. to the party trespassed and 40*s.* to himself, and let the prisoner go Robt. Rothe, now sovereign of Kilkenny, and many others

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(named) have "grey merchants" who forestall the market. Murder committed by Jas. Isam, servant to Mr. Seintlowe. An action depending between Edm. Arsepreche, plt., and Thos. Sertall, deft. The said Edmund forcibly took, as a pledge, a horse from the said Thomas without taking any officer with him. Wrory Amougher irreverently cast the King's writ of subpœna into the mire.

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R. O. 3. Presentment of the town of Irishtown. Jury :—Thos. Wall and 10 others (named).

Coyne and livery taken by the constable of Garon, the lord of Ostrey, lord Sertall, lord Grace, lord Sleggar, lord Swetman, the baron of Burnchurche, lord Pursell, lord Blanchefeld and all the freeholders of the county. Makmurrothe claims black rent in Garon and enforces it by distraint. Garralt Makart robbed Nic. Staunton of 10*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* Irish and "a stone called a precious stone." Lists of churchmen who exact excessive fees, criminals, Irish judges, and forestallers.

Md.—That both gentlemen and commoners of the county and town of Kilkenny are anxious to obey the King's laws, but the exactions, oppressions, and enormities before presented are maintained by the earl of Ostrey, his wife, lord James Butler, Ric. Butler, and his other children. Wherefore let these be reduced and the country will be prosperous.

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8 Oct. **860.** The General Council.

Baronius, xxxii. 462. Bull of Paul III. expressing thankfulness for the liberation of Christendom from the yoke which the Turk had threatened to lay upon it. Had a few months past prorogued the Council which was to have assembled at Mantua to the 1 Nov., with a view to the arrangement of some other place for it. Meanwhile the Turk invaded Italy; but notwithstanding his immense preparations was compelled, not so much to depart, as to fly without any pursuers. The Pope, nevertheless, made unremitting efforts for agreement among Christian princes, but has got no satisfactory answer about the place. The Venetians, however, though much troubled about their own affairs, when the Turk was besieging Corcyra, have offered Vincenza, where he now summons the Council to meet, 1 May 1538. Rome, viii. id. Oct. 1537, pont. 3.

Latin.

9 Oct. **861.** P. Meawtys to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I desire you to be good lord to John Astley, mercer, of London, a brother of my wife's, who through foolish kindness in being surety is indebted to the sum of 60*l.*, and will be undone unless you give him a warrant for a victualler of Calais, to help him out of prison. London, 9 Oct.

P.S. I beg you to have my wife and me commended to my lady, "with my cousin, Mr. Secretary." The King not two days ago talked of you and your children, and I informed him of your daughter that last came out of France. Howbeit his Grace thought Mrs. Anne Basset the fairest, but I told him your youngest,* was far fairer. I hope I have not offended in so saying, but if so, I submit to your lady's correction.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

9 Oct. **862.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends news by Mr. Hethe, the bearer, which he has received from
C.'s Letters, 356. Germany from Osiander, and desires credence for him. Asks him again to write in favour of Wm. Grouno's being restored to his room at Calais,

* Mary.

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though his three letters have prevailed nothing; otherwise the man will be undone, and his extreme handling will be a great hindrance to the advancement of God's word. Begs him to procure that there may be one of the council of Calais who earnestly favours the furtherance thereof. Forde, 9 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Oct. **863.** Woollen Cloths.

Harl. 442, f. 148. B. M.

Mandate to the bailiffs of Colchester to publish a proclamation suspending for one year more, from Mich. 1537, the execution of the Act appointing the lengths and breadths for woollen cloths, so as to give time for inquiry into the alleged difficulties in the way of its operation. Westminster, 9 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 2..

9 Oct. **864.** Devotion to Rome.

R. O.

"The accusacion of Nycolas Came by Robert Browne of Norwyche, jailor of the castle there, before Sir John Shelton, knight, and Robert Holdich," 9 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII.; viz., that the said Came, being at St. Feythes fair, on Sunday the 7th Oct., being asked "when the melten. of leede shuld come thyder to melte the leede of the abby church there," answered, "Noo, the churche shall stonde. Rome shall uppe ageyne, and purgatorie is found." For these words he was taken before the John Corbetts, father and son, and by them remitted to "Mr. Hare" or some other justice. He says that he heard John Marshall, parish clerk of Lakenham, say these things to the parish priest there, a Grey friar, who wagged his head and said he would meddle in no such matters. That Marshall also said a great many of the bishops had sealed to it already, and that more would be heard before Hallowmass. The friar partly confirms and partly denies hearing this language. Marshall denies having said any of these words. The names of the justices are subscribed in the same hand as the text.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

9 Oct. **865.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O.

Conformably to my last letters I have kept at Kerlesle a warden court, where, for march treason, William and Thomas Rowtlage of Bewcastle dale, sent from my lord of Norfolk by lord Dacre, were arraigned, and Thomas Rowtlage found guilty, and on the morrow, market day, suffered, and his head stands on the tower gate called Recarde gate at Kerlesle. My servant the bearer has the copy of the indictment and the names of both the impanels. I had before me at the court the constables and two honest men of every township along the borders to put order for watch. On the morrow we justices of the peace kept a sessions at Kerlesle, where divers are indicted of felony. Thinks Cromwell should send a commission of gaol delivery into Cumberland, as the justices of assize come but once a year. Is attending the King's particular courts, whereof he is steward. "Kerlesle the viiij. of October." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Oct. viij°. (*sic*).

9 Oct. **866.** Joachim [de Vaux] to Cromwell.

R. O.

Rejoices at what the King has done in establishing a port at Dover in accordance with the writer's representations to him when he was in England. Can hardly believe the report that those of Dover intend to pull down the little

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chapel in the cliff (*scolio*) restored by himself in honour of Our Lady and of that holy peace of which their Majesties made him the instrument. They pretend it is necessary on account of the harbour. Does not believe this, and begs Cromwell will protect it from needless destruction. Padua, 9 Oct. 1537. *Signed.*

Ital., pp. 2. *Add.*

10 Oct. **867.** HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

MS. 2962, f. 102. Bibl. Nat., Paris.

Desires credence for the bp. of Winchester on matters concerning the interests of Francis, which the King regards as his own. Trusts the matter will succeed to Francis' satisfaction. Hampton Court, 10 Oct. 1537.

Fr., p. 1. *From a modern copy.*

10 Oct. **868.** HENRY VIII. to GARDINER.

Add. MS. 25,114, f. 275 B. M.

If there is any likelihood of peace being made between the Emperor and the French King, of which Henry has great doubts, he would be glad to help that conclusion, especially not to leave the adjustment of it to the bishop of Rome. Gardiner is therefore to remind Francis that on his first entering into these wars, Henry had written both to him and the Emperor offering to mediate between them, which offer, although then refused by both parties, he now renews, seeing that both are "now well travailed in the serving of their appetites," and that the time of year is favourable to peace, considering the state of the French king's affairs and the advantages gained by his enemy in Piedmont. If Francis will make Henry arbiter, he will endeavour to bring about a settlement to the honour of both princes. If Francis reply that he has already committed the matter to other hands, or that he will not enter into negotiation for peace, he shall, in the first case, say that none will be more glad than Henry to hear of the conclusion of an honourable peace. In the second case, Gardiner shall enlarge on the evils and uncertainties of war in order to discover his inclination towards Henry's overture. Here he shall again remind him of his promise not to agree to the bp. of Rome's Council, that he may see how he stands disposed towards that bishop's authority. He shall also tell him that to show his love for France Henry had, at the request of the French ambassador, released certain French ships which had done much injury to the English, although they had no commission from the French king, "one of them being (qu. bearing ?) the red cross of England, and having Englishmen his pilots and chief mariners, the rather to train men into their danger." Hampton Court, 10 October, 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Add.:* Bishop of Winchester, our ambassador resident in the court of France. *Endd.*

10 Oct. **869.** HENRY VIII. to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 34. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 461.

Heretofore, when he wrote to the Emperor and French king advising them to accept mediation, neither of them seemed inclined to it, both, perhaps, expecting their affairs to succeed better than they have done. Now that the time of year compels both parties to fall to an abstinence for a season, is resolved to do the part of a good friend. Wiat is therefore to tell the Emperor that Henry will be glad to undertake the office of mediator and ask whether he is agreeable, supposing the French king will do the like, to whom (Wiat shall say) no doubt Henry has made the same motion. If the Emperor answer that he has already committed the matter to another person or that he will not leave the advantage which percace he shall allege he has, Wiat shall answer, to the first, that he marvels that after Henry's

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former friendly offer he (the Emperor) should prefer another. Wiat may say, as of himself, that he could not have chosen an arbiter of such honour as the King, nor one to whom he has more cause to show gratitude, and that he (Wiat) is sorry to see the King's affection so little requited; adding that when he (Wiat) was first appointed thither, though he knew that the Emperor, through affection to his parentage, had not in the King's matter of marriage shown that correspondence of love which was merited, yet now, the cause of that affection being removed, he trusted to have found the former amity revived, and to have had a pleasant office. He shall advise the Emperor to weigh whether the King or the bp. of Rome can best serve him. If the Emperor say he will not leave the advantages he holds, Wiat shall declare the evil of war and the uncertainty of victory and persuade him to accept mediation.

Requires him to use all wisdom and dexterity, and to note, from the answers of the Emperor and his counsellors, the Emperor's inclination to the King, whether it be as pretended or in words only. If the Emperor marvel that there is no furtherance in the marriage of Lady Mary, Wiat shall reply as of himself that Mons. de Mendoza brought no commission for it, that the King marvels Mendoza came so slenderly despatched and that the default is not since supplied, and thinks the matter scarcely in earnest. If the Emperor is inclinable Wiat shall advise that, upon a full conclusion, both parties should send to the King a statement of their rights and titles. Sends a letter of credence for Wiat to deliver. Hampton Court, 10 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed at the head.*

Pp. 4. *Add.:* Ambassador resident with the Emperor. *Endd.:* By Bartholomew at Barbastra for the peace."

10 Oct. **870.** CROMWELL to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 208. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 318.

The bearer, Rougecroix, carries the King's letters for an overture of mediation between the Emperor and the French king. It shall be Wyat's part like a good orator to set it forth with dexterity, and observe the Emperor's answers so as to "fish out the bottom of his stomach." He shall also investigate the bruit that peace shall be mediated for by others, and what the Emperor will do touching the bp. of Rome's council, which the Germans, upon good grounds, have refused, and the King, upon the same grounds and other weighty considerations, has likewise refused. He must in all these things speak with the Emperor so frankly as to be able to "feel the deepness of his heart." Surprised that Wiatt has not yet delivered the Lady Mary's letters as he was commissioned to do. Has so excused the matter that Wyat may do so now and write the answer, as done before, although not at his first access for lack of opportunity. The King approves his conversations both with Granvelle and the Emperor. Will see that he has his diets and post money, and be his friend so that his enemies, if he have any, shall gain little by his absence.

Your brother Ant. Lee has been in the porter's lodge for consenting to the stealing of certain the King's hawks, and your sister has been with me at Mortlake suing for his deliverance. Both be merry and the King is his good lord again. Urges him rather to travail to find out the Emperor's real inclination than press him to agree to the mediation; for the other party say the Emperor is towards the King in words only, and really does all to his dishonour, and that they have refused good offers because they were "knit with vile and filthy conditions towards his Majesty." He is to investigate these as signified to him by some of the King's agents in France.

Your gentle sister sends commendations. I enclose a letter from Mr. Pate to an Englishman in the Emperor's court. Take a copy of it and then seal

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and deliver it and solicit an answer; for the King much desires to try out that matter of Dignely. Mortlake, 10 Oct. *Signed.*

Fail not to get the matter of Dignely sent with the next post if possible.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 4. *Add. Endd. as received by Bartholomew at Barbastra.*

10 Oct. **871.** WRIOTHESLEY to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 281. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 422.

For all your gentle letters I thank you. I shall not need to write long letters, being my lord's letters of mine own writing and full of the arguments I would else have written. The lack of deliverance of my lady Mary's letters has been so handled that the King is not discontented. Do it now and write of it as though you had no advertisement of it from hence.

His first letters to the King pleased marvellously well, but the signature was omitted, and Wriothesley had to counterfeit it. Will be angry with Wyat's young secretary if this omission occur again. Thanks both him and Mr. Mason for the said secretary, and trusts Wyat will make a good servant of him. Wishes Wyat would not write in cipher without great occasion, for the exercising of his hand therein made the writer "beshrompe" him twice. Sends not the book of the bishops, for it shall be reformed, as it had need in many points. All the realm is quiet save for the plague, which however is not so bad as reported. Look daily for a prince. Wishes Wyat to buy him a young jennet for his own saddle, and sends instructions. Mortlake, 10 Oct.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

[10 Oct.] **872.** SIR RICHARD RYCHE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Received Cromwell's letter dated 8 October, by the way as he came towards London, and immediately wrote to Myldmay, auditor, who as yet has the particulars of Bely (Beaulieu), to send him the same with the true value thereof. As for the value of Forwood and Forwey, Devon, sent his servant from London to Barnys' wife, the auditor, who is in Ireland, to send him her husband's clerk, who has the books of his circuit. Austyn Fryers in London, this present Wednesday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[10 Oct.?] **873.** CHR. HALES to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Please write to Dr. London to cause an end to be made of the matter between the monastery of St. Albans and me. Also remind the King for the signing of the bill. The prior of St. Albans, lately made by your Lordship, desires that he may receive the money of the house as other priors have done. Be good lord to Mr. Montague that he may have the circuit of assizes now void by the decease of Mr. Inglefeld. Greys Inn, this Wednesday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* Master of the Rolls.

874. "REMEMBRANCES."

R. O.

Ric. Gresham for his obligations. Sir Thos. Tempest for his suit. The Master of the Rolls and Hynde for their suits. Whom the King will have a judge. To remember Brabazon for his long service, and Cusyake for his service, and Cowleye for his long approved fidelity and truth. For the order in the North. For the accomplishing and establishing of the things within the realm. Richard Longe's bill to be assigned. The castle of Alnwyke to be given to whom it shall please the King.

P. 1. *Cromwell's hand. Endd.*

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10 Oct. **875.** JOHN GOODALE to CROMWELL.

R. O. I repaired from Salisbury to Amptell only to reveal to your Lordship the manifest enormities of the priests both in the close and in the town, who against the King's late injunctions, haunt alehouses, support relics, &c., of which complaint has been made to me, as the ministering of justice in the city belongs to the office I lately obtained by your Lordship's letters. I was told at Amptell that the King had ordered that none of London should come to the Court, and as it was supposed I dwelt in London I had to return. Please appoint someone to survey and execute the injunctions, and see how they are kept by the chaunter and subdean. I should be glad of the office to take sureties of the clergy in cos. Dorset, Cornwall, Soms., Devon, Wilts, Worc., and Hants. Salisbury, 10 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, keeper of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Oct. **876.** SIR GILBERT TALBOT to SALOWAY.

R. O. On Tuesday, 9th inst., one John Francis, of King's Norton, tailor, came before me and put in sureties, viz., Wm. Foulfourd and Ric. Baker, of King's Norton, indicted for hunting. The same day Ric. Baker aforesaid put in sureties, the said Foulford and Francis, for his fine. The same day John Teynton put in sureties, the said Foulford and Francis. Prays him to "raicorde" the same. Grafton, 10 Oct. 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my loving friend Saloway.

10 Oct. **877.** DAGGERS and SWORDS.

R. O. Account of "daggers and swords remaining with Maryon," 10 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., viewed by me John Gate, page of the Robes.

Pp. 6. *With an endorsement in the same hand:*—Delyvered by Hanes on the viijth day of January xiiij hats (?)."

10 Oct. **878.** SIR REYNOLD CARNABY to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to his last letters, kept a court at Wark in Tynedale at which most of the inhabitants appeared, though some absented themselves, whether from favour to the outlaws he knows not. Has given them day to Saturday next to lay pledges for their demeanour in time coming. There are eight persons "of head surname men as we call them here"; and one William Charlton of the Lehall in Tynedale is appointed by my lord Lieutenant to enter a house called Heslysyde which belonged to Edward Charlton, the King's rebel. Must enter it by force as his friends will defend it as long as they may. Defers sending his servant till he has put William Charlton in possession and driven the outlaws out of Tyndale. Desires Cromwell's favour to his two brothers, the bearers, that they may enjoy their poor livings. Hexham, 10 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Oct. **879.** JENNE DE SENLIS to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Thanks her for the good beer she sent her. I have given your recommendations to Mons. de Vrevins and my daughter his wife, to Mons. de Becourt, and all the young ladies. Mons. de Vrevins thanks you for your present. Boulogne, 10 Oct.

Sends wild boar venison. Thanks Lady Lisle for two vessels of Godignac, which she will present to the Seneschal on his return. Commendations to her husband.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Gouvernante.

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10 Oct. **880.** FRANCIS I. to HENRY VIII.

The letter printed with this date in Teulet, and noticed by Kaulek, p. 4, is certainly of the year 1533, being apparently a copy from a different draft of that printed by Camusat, and dated 10th *September* 1533. *See* Vol. VI., No. 1113.

881. ELIZABETH UGHTRED* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his pains taken for her and his liberal token sent by Mr. Worsley. Where you put me in "coysse" of your own houses, I thank you, but am loth to leave this place and, if my lord my brother's† house shall remove, will live at one Ambrose Wellose, a quarter of a mile from your place. This letter from you is more pleasure to me than any earthly good, for my trust is now only in you. *Signed:* "Your humble daughter in law."

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

11 Oct. **882.** THE CHARTERHOUSE AT WYTHAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Are sorry to hear by Dr. Leaton's letters that Cromwell thinks them not willing to give him a lease of the farm called the West Barne. With all their hearts grant him their good wills. Remind him of their great charges to the King at Christmas, and beg him to grant the prior further days if he cannot make provision as soon as he is bound to do. Cannot religiously send out their convent seal before his coming home nor without his consent. From the Charterhouse, Wytham, 11 Oct. *Signed:* "by your daily beadmen the convent there."

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Oct. **883.** THE CHARTERHOUSE OF WYTHAM to DR. LEATON.

R. O. Thank him for his counsel, and have answered the lord Privy Seal according to it. Beg him to be a solicitor for further respite for them to pay the King. Wytham, 11 Oct.

P. 1. *Hol. Add. Endd.*

11 Oct. **884.** WM. WOODE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Complains that one Raff Sherman‡ has slandered him and broken open his coffers, after making an agreement with him when Woode was seeking to do him good. Sends Cromwell a patent of 5 marks a year. Agreed with Sherman at Halstead to appoint two persons to arbitrate. Spoke to him of his untrue dealing, when he "put his finger in his eye and cried like a baby boy." Thought he was reconciled, but all was dissimulation to cause Woode to rest upon his promise, and meanwhile he to cause Cromwell to be in displeasure with him. Asks Cromwell either to discharge him clearly of Sherman or let him take his advantage at the common law, or else to allow them to agree between themselves. Has been too ill to come up to Cromwell. Thursday, 11 Oct.

Would rather lie in prison air and be stabbed in the hands and feet with bodkins than have such another rebuke from Cromwell.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* Eliz., widow of Sir Ant. Ughtred, who afterwards married Gregory Cromwell and was at this time betrothed to him.

† Edw. Seymour, viscount Beauchamp, afterwards earl of Hertford. He received livery of his father's lands 10 Oct., and this letter may have been written soon after.

‡ See Vol. XI., No. 1476, which is evidently of the year 1537.

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885. Wm. Woode to Dr. Belosis.

R. O. Wishes for my Lord's favour, and that my Lord should know his mind. "Then let his Lordship do with me his pleasure both in body and goods." When my Lord has seen his writing begs Dr. B. to retain it in his custody. Will give Belosis the 20 marks he promised him if he will be sure to him now at his most need. If there is no remedy but that he must agree with Raff Sherman, he can tell Cromwell that he would have agreed with him if he had been in town. Was offered by a friend of his to have been at an end with him for 16*l.* Repeats Cromwell's words to himself, which put him neither in comfort nor discomfort. Wishes to know his pleasure.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

11 Oct. **886.** G. Earl of Shrewsbury to Cromwell.

R. O. In favour of his old friend John Persall who is commanded under privy seal to appear before the Council in the Star Chamber at the suit of Sir John Hercote in a dispute between them about a highway. Sheffeld Lodge, 11 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Oct. **887.** Thos. Gray to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs he may be continued in the keepership of Bambrowght castle which he occupied as deputy to the late lord Darcy. 11 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Oct. **888.** The Doge of Venice to Henry VIII.

R. O. Hearing that the Turkish fleet has besieged Corcyra, have resolved
St.P. VII. 712. to use every effort to frustrate the attempt, trusting in the co-operation of Christian princes. Have made a league with the Pope and Emperor, both defensive and offensive, against the common enemy, and ask Henry to assist, as he will understand more fully from their secretary, Hieronymo Zucato. The Ducal Palace, 11 Oct. indict. 11, 1537.

Lat. Add.

12 Oct. **889.** Queen [Jane Seymour] to Cromwell.

Nero C. x. 1. Informs him of the birth of her son "conceived in lawful matrimony."
B. M. Hampton Court, 12 Oct. *Sealed.*

In Sadler's hand, p. 1. *Add.:* To, etc. Lord Privy Seal o . . . . . high steward of all . . . . lands.

*** This seems to be the letter printed by Hearne in his "Sylloge" at the end of "Titus Livius," p. 113, as a letter to the Lords of the Council. Another copy will be found in a hand of later date in MS. Harl. 283, f. 155. A similar letter to the University of Cambridge is printed in Cooper's Annals of Cambridge I. 391, and a similar letter addressed to George Boothe exists in a modern copy in Harl. MS. 2,131, f. 27.

12 Oct. **890.** Cromwell to Sir Thos. Wyat.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 211. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 320. Since Rougecroix left on Wednesday last, the good news has come of the Queen's Grace's deliverance of a goodly prince. Wyat is to inform the Emperor of this. Thinks the King will write of it to all the princes. St. James's beside Westminster, 12 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Ambassador. *Endd. as* received by sea long after the date.

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12 Oct. **891.** FITZWILLIAM and POULET to CROMWELL.

R. O. Lord Matravers' servant Shelley has just come to them from Croydon, where he is staying with his mother-in-law,* and tells them three or four persons a day are dying of the plague there, and two persons are sick in my Lady's house. Though she does not know of what disease, she will remove. Have informed the King, who has ordered that neither Lord Matravers, nor his mother-in-law, nor the Marquis of Dorset, nor his wife [, who be all present togethers at this time]† shall come hither against the christening. Hampton Court, Friday, 11 o'clock. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My L. Admiral and Mr. Poulet, xij. October.

[12] Oct. **892.** FITZWILLIAM and POULET to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have moved the King for the Marquis Dorset and his wife, alleging his being at Stebbing and his wife with my lady of Derby, and at no time with his mother at Croydon, but the King's pleasure is to give them thanks and to spare them for this time. Cromwell is to thank the mayor and his brothers for their good wills, but his pleasure is to spare them, and so he could divers others for the more surety of health, as Cromwell will perceive to-morrow at his coming, which the King looks for. Hampton Court, Friday night. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Oct. Mr. Treasaurer, Mr. Comptroller.

12 Oct. **893.** H. LORD MAWTRAVERS to CROMWELL.

Howard's Letters 310. After leaving him, resorted to Croydon, where some died of the sickness. Stayed not in the town, but at the Archbishop's house, where is the Marchioness of Dorset, and has been all summer. This morning had the joyful tidings that the Queen was delivered of a prince. The King is not willing that the writer should come to Court at present from fear of the infection. Croydon, 7 [12 ?]‡ Oct.

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

12 Oct. **894.** THE PRINCE'S CHRISTENING.

Harl. 442, f. 149. B. M. Nichols' Lit. Rem. of Edward VI. i. p. cclxii. Mandate to the mayor and sheriffs of London to make proclamation forbidding the access of persons to the Court on Monday next, the day appointed for the Prince's christening, without special letters from the King or some of his Council, on account of the plague. No duke is to bring more than six persons in his company, no marquis more than five, no earl above four, no baron above three, no knight or squire above two, no bishop or abbot above four, and none of the King's or Queen's chaplains above two. Westminster, 12 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII.

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12 Oct. **895.** SIR THOS. PALMER to RIC. [LE]E, Surveyor of the King's Works at Calais.

R. O. Has broken the matter touching the commission that he spoke of. Will let him have the rest of his coals after the Deputy, the prior of the Friars, and Mr. Blont have had some. Asks him to pay 20 angel nobles to the bearer, Peter Beckwith, which Palmer borrowed of him, and promised to repay before hiring time. Is glad that Mr. Marshal and he are agreed. Will bring his horse. London, 12 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

* Margaret Countess dowager of Dorset. † Crossed out.
‡ Probably the numeral "xij" in the MS. was misread "vij" by Howard.

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12 Oct. R. O. **896.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

Thanks for Cromwell's letters. Begs help for the quietness of Arustley and Kevylyock; for though, last Whitsuntide, the earl of Worcester, at the King's letters, agreed to the order of this Council that lord Ferrers should have the stewardship there during the Earl's lifetime, he has now discharged the said lord and his deputies; so that no courts are kept and good order will be destroyed. Told his cousin Doctor he would gladly speak with Cromwell, but cannot be spared. Welshmen of the evil sort say one devil is gone, meaning Mr. Englefild, dec., and the writer is the other. Where his said cousin wrote that the Bishop had released one who railed against Cromwell, the truth is:—At Mr. Englefild's and the writer's going into Cheshire and Flint last summer, one was brought to them at Bisshoppiscastell by the deputy-steward of Keviliock for such causes, and they committed the harlot to ward in Keviliock till the present assembly of the Council. Now the said deputy says the earl of Worcester's servants have broken the gaol at Llanydlos and let him and other felons go; as appears by Mr. Devereux's letters, enclosed together with letters from the Earl and lord Ferrers. The two fellows who have broken the gaol are now in the Earl's livery. Has repaired the castles of Ludlow, Brecknock, and Wigmore, and the gaol of Radnor Castle, so that the money the Council received is spent. Now, intending the reëdification of Montgomery Castle, the second key of Wales, desires a warrant for 100*l* Begs favour in the suits he has written his cousin Doctor in. Shrowisbury, 12 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Oct. R. O. **897.** Walter Devereux [Lord Ferrers] to Cromwell.

To the same effect as his letter to the Council in the Marches, of 7 Oct. [No. 852]. On the 8th Oct. by John Body, the earl of Worcester's servant, he received a letter discharging him of the stewardship. Wrote to the Earl, who has sent another letter by writer's servant Thos. Baskervile, the bearer, saying he would put in another officer. Begs favour and aid. Charteley Manor, 12 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 Oct. R. O. **898.** The Irish Commission.

Presentment of the city of Waterford before the King's commissioners, —— (*blank*) Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. Wm. Wise and 17 other jurors (named). Touching coyne and livery. Lady Kath. Butler unlawfully usurps dominion over Powers country in Waterford county. Thos. Power of Balycanvan, as tanist, used to take coyne and livery and commits many extortions. He took to ransom Thos. Abek, merchant of Manchester, and stole the dean of Fernes' horse. He was taken by Mr. Wm. Seyntlowe and delivered to Mr. Treasurer, who took a recognizance of Dame Kath. Butler and Edm. Power, prior of St. Katharine's beside Waterford, to be forthcoming. Crimes and extortions by Thomas, son of Edmund Power, lady Kath. Butler, Shane McClannaghe an Irish judge, Nic. Power of Kylvydan, Gerald McShane of Dromanegh, Power of Denvill, constable of Dungarvan in Sir Richard Power's time, Sir Thos. Butler of Cahergh in Tipperary, Ric. Rothe Butler of Pollekere, James Butler abbot of Inislonaght, Edmund abp. of Cashell (riotously being in a boat in 24 Hen. VIII., robbed a boat of Clonmel, &c.), the bishop of Waterford, dean of Waterford, bp. of Ossory, canons of St. Katharine's, prior of Kellys, the earl of Ossory and his children, old Nich. Power of Carroduf, and Walter and Davy Power, but chiefly by lady Kath. Butler and Ossory. Finding of an escheator's inquest at the death of Sir Ric. Power.

Confessed before the Commissioners 12 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.

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R. O. 2. Copies of bills of complaint addressed to the Commissioners by Nic. Poer of Donnyll, and "found by the said jury."

i. When he was waiting upon Wm. Wise, then sheriff of Waterford, and Captain Wm. Seintloo, going unto Gerald FitzJohn of Desmond the week before Xmas 27 Hen. VIII., his tenants were robbed of cattle by lord James Butler and some of dame Kath. Butler's servants.

ii. Coming from the Parliament of May 27 Hen. VIII. he was robbed at Glanrenalde by lord James Butler's servants.

iii. For robberies and assaults committed three weeks past in Goran by lady Kath. Butler's servants.

iv. Servants of dame Katherine Butler, "last wife unto Sir Richard Power," 4 years past came to his house and slew three of his best gentlemen after the peace made betwixt him and lady Katharine; and also, in Midsummer 29 Hen. VIII., stole two of his horses out of the churchyard of Kilbryde.

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R. O. 3. Verdict of the commoners of the county of Waterford. Peter Dobbyn and 12 other jurors (named).

The whole county is the King's alone. Sir Piers Poer and his father Richard Poer, the later, were sheriffs there and usurped the lordship of the county, and now dame Kath. Butler usurps it in the name of young Piers Poer, son of Sir Ric. Poer, dec., and the said dame Katharine. Particulars of exactions taken by dame Katharine, lord Butler, Nic. Devereux of Ballynnagir, the earl of Ossory and the bps. of Cashel, Waterford, and Ossory; but mostly by dame Katharine and her servants; also of other outrages and murders.

Petition to their masterships to appoint a sufficient sheriff and officers, and these officers to be English and not of the birth of this land. Mr. Seyntloe is the meetest to be sheriff. We, the freeholders of the county, will gladly bear such charges as you think necessary, by advice of Mr. Seintloo, Mr. Wise, and other freeholders, for maintenance of the said officers.

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R. O. 4. Verdict of the jury of the manor and castle of Dungarvan. Moyses Tayllour and 15 other jurors (named).

Disorders committed by their vicar and by Gerald FitzJohn, Maurice FitzJohn, and John Isam's company. Customs of the manor and encroachments upon common land by various individuals.

ii. Petition to the Commissioners by Hew Mererrell, of Bridgewater, in England, for redress of a robbery committed by Gerald Wegynton, when constable of Dungarvan castle for the earl of Desmond in 20 Hen. VIII.

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R. O. 5. Presentment of the jury of Wexford. Names of jury not given.

Give a long list of robberies, assaults, &c. committed at various dates from the commencement of the reign, commencing with particulars of the robbery of 20 houses in Feddred by John Purcell, now bp. of Fernes, and Care McArte, the King's enemy, 27 May 24 Henry VIII. (the bp., who was on horseback, frequently called for fire, to burn the said houses). Other persons complained of are Walter Roche son of Nic. Roche, Ph. Rowceter, Walt. Brown, Edm. Synet, and Dan son of Ph. Keting, Gerald and Patrick Haye, Alexander lord Roche, Edm., John, Garret, and Wm., sons of Walt. Roche, Ph. and Wm. Forlong, Sir Wm. Ketyng, master of Kylklogan, Walt. Roche (burned the church of Kilpatrick in Roche island, "wherein [were] certain Christian people, with much goods"), Hamon Stafford, and others.

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898. The Irish Commission—*cont.*

ii. Complaints addressed to the Commissioners, and found true by verdict "aforesaid"—

(1.) Of Walt. Devereux, of Kylkevan, upon Thomas son of McNewhyt Roche, servant of Robt. son of John Oge Roche, for a robbery 12 June last.

(2.) Of John son of Michael Furlong, brother to Sir Fulk Furlong, dec., upon John son of Wm. Forlong, of the Hortowne, who withholds lands in the Fasagh of Bentre, which should be his as heir to Sir Fulk.

(3.) Of Jas. Turner, burgess of Wexford, who was ejected from his copyhold inheritance in Ballymore by Philip Keteing, of Balldoynstoune, 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 7. *Headed:* Wexford.

R. O. 6. Presentment of the jury for the body of the shire of Wexford, Walt. Browne and 14 other jurors (named).

Irish rebels abetted by the town of Rosse in 15 & 17 Henry VIII. Murder by David Hore, 18 Hen. VIII. Robbery by Ossory, 25 Hen. VIII. The dean of Fernes, Alex. Ketyng, Gerald Bossher, and Sir Ric. Browne, parson of the Island, have "pursued" bulls from Rome. Farnes abbey and Durbard's island are the King's. The vicar of Kylcowan died in June last, so the King is entitled to first fruits. Robberies and extortions at various dates by Thos. Poyer, Ossory, and Richard Butler.

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R. O. 7. Verdict of the commons for the body of Wexford county. John Devereux and 14 other jurors (named).

The lord of Ossory seized the King's Castle of Turbard's Island from John Devereux, constable there, in 22 Hen. VIII. and still keeps it. He also, 1 March 10 Hen. VIII., seized Montegarret beside Rosse from Walter Meyler. Wm. Keteing, commander of Kylklogan, has seized land in Dunbrodye. The barony of Karnoo and manor of Fernes, barony of Torkyll and town of Arklow are the King's. Maryertazthe Kevanathe withholds Dounscorttye from the freeholders, who are Richfords and Prendregasts. Outrages, &c., committed at various times between 22 & 28 Henry VIII. by Thos. Power, Thos. Cusak of Cosingistoune, Ric. Butler, Thos. Cogge Newell, John Sutton, Edm. Prendregast, Wm. McShane, son of Shane McPhilip, and Edm. McDowlle of Ramysgraunge, Laur. Newell, Gerald Boye Prendregast, Edlee Roche, and others (named).

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R. O. 8. Verdict of the inhabitants of Ross. Walt. Hyde, and 9 others (named), jurors.

Lands within the franchise of Ross which have escheated to the King by the treason of Thos. Byrton and others. Outrages by Robt. son of John Roche, Nich. Roche (with divers nations of Wexford, *i.e.*, Keteings, Suttons, Furlongs, Hoorehayes, Chevyris, Devereux, Synnets, and Nevelles), Nic. Hoore, Hamond Stafford, Fitzherry of Kylkevan, Lamport of Balyhue, Jas. Keteing, John and Gilb. Sutton, Patrick son of John Roche, Care McArte and other McArtes, Kavanaghes, McMurroughs, McDonylls, and others.

Copies of—

(1.) Inquisition taken at Roose before John Taylor "superior" there, 1 Sept. 10 Hen. VIII., by Hen. Walsh and 17 other (named) jurors, certifying that Nic. Devereux and other citizens (43 named) by command of Patrick Roope, mayor, with many Spaniards, Frenchmen, Bretons, and Irish came, 22 May 10 H. VIII., and bombarded the town of Roose which was compelled to deliver them 20*l.* and lost 100*l.* more.

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(2.) Similar inquisition taken the same day finding that the above named are guilty of the death of Gervase Tayger, merchant of Bristol, who was slain in the above bombardment of 22 May.

Two further presentments against the town of Waterford.

Pp. 10. *The inquisitions are in Latin.*

R. O. 9. Verdict of the heads and commoners of Clonmel. Bennet Whyte and 15 other jurors (named). Inquisition for these two years past "the date above written" (*sic*).

Coyne and livery and other exactions taken by Ossory, Lord James Butler, Sir Thomas Butler. Idle men and vagabonds. Suppers called "cuddyes." Blackbeds. Indictment of Walt. Butler of Polkyr. Irish judges. Forestallers and tamperers with markets. Extortioners. Riot by Edm. abp. of Casshell. Murders. Customs. Bribes taken by the bp. of Lismore and Waterford and others. The abbot of Innyslawenaghte "using his leman or harlot openly by day and night to his pleasure" and his monks keeping harlots. Complaints against the priory of Cahir, prioress of Mollaghe, the prior of St. Mary's Abbey of the "Freors Karmys," priory of Athasshell, abbey of Holy Cross, and abbey of Hoghnyr on this side Limerick.

ii. Bills of complaint found true by the above jurors:—

(1.) Of Robt. Donyll who was robbed by the abp. of Cashell, 17 Aug. 24 Hen. VIII.

(2.) Of Patrick Bussher of Waterford seized and put to ransom by servants of Sir Thos. Butler and Piers Butler, 24 Henry VIII.

iii. "The advice for the redress of the enormities aforesaid devised by the said jury":—That coin and livery be "put back," that none shall make a separate peace with any Irish nation, that the Irish nations under the King's laws obey the Deputy, that the "bigge Irish sherts be dampned and put back and brought to lasse making and facyon," that all the nations wear English apparel and use English customs, that no man succour thieves or Irish rebels and that all keep weapons and be ready to "answer the cry" for the common defence.

iv. Bill of complaint of Ric. Graunte of Fetherd. Was formerly servant to Sir John Arundel of Cornwall and obtained leave to visit his friends in Ireland. Arrived at Dungarvan 2 years past, and there met Edm. Maurice, who agreed to conduct him safe to Clonmel. By the way Maurice attacked and wounded him and carried off his goods to Rekyll where his master Sir Thos. Butler dwelt. Sir Thomas then took Graunte prisoner for half a year and charged him 8*l.* 10*s.* for ransom.

Certificate of the jury that the above is true against Sir Thomas and Edm. Fitzmorice.

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R. O. 10. Verdict of gentlemen and commoners of Tipperary county. Thos. Prendregast and 12 other jurors (named).

Exactions and oppressions by Sir Thomas Butler: petition for redress. Names of Sir Thos. Butler's and lord Ossory's servants. Informations against Walt. Butler vicar of Rathranan and Denis Moryce vicar of Kyllshevan.

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R. O. 11. Bills found to be true by verdict of the gentlemen and commoners of Tipperary county.

(1.) Of Maude Goldyng, born in Waterford, who was taken and put to ransom by a servant of Edmund Butler, and whose mother suffered various losses by Sir Thomas Butler, son and heir to the said Edmund Butler.

(2.) Of Jas. Bray and Ric. Wedlok, merchants of Clonmell, against John Duf, serjeant to Edmund Butler, dec., and now to Sir Thomas Butler, (24 Henry VIII.)

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12 Oct. **899.** Jacques de Coucy [Sieur de Vervins] to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I cannot thank you too much for the good beer you have sent me. Madame la Seneschale sends you some venison of the bristly boar. Boulogne, 12 Oct. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

12 Oct. **900.** Jacques Groutier to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I fear you have forgotten me altogether. You must know that I have long been your servant, and shall be all my life. You ask those who came hither, and made themselves known to me, what cheer I made them. Be assured if they had been the greatest people in France I could not have done more for them for the sake of you and my lady. I am very anxious to see you and my lady again. If you would allow my lady to come this summer (?) to Dieppe, to Nostre Dame Demyoult,* I will go to fetch her, and she shall see a great triumph, and I will send her back to Calais with an honourable company. Dieppe, 12 Oct.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

13 Oct. **901.** Prince Edward.

Anstis' Order of the Garter, II. 410. Notice of the birth of prince Edward, 13 Oct., St. Edward's Day,† about 4 o'clock, 1537.

13 Oct. **902.** Arthur Kelton to Wriothesley.

R. O. "After my return from you," certified my kinsman the cellarer of Evesham and other friends that you intended to move the cause to my Lord, with the counsel of Doctor Petur. They have since written to me to remind you; because the audit and receipt is shortly after All Hallow Day, and the abbot receives all that he can get before hand, contrary to custom. Please abbreviate the time, "so that he might with the some receipt be the more 'ablerar' to content the King's first fruits." Salop, St. Edward's Day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Thomas Wrisley, with my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Oct. **903.** Captain Gilles de Revelles to Robt. Guerault.

R. O. I have seen your letter, and in reply, I did not place you there, "et aves en gran tort dy avoir lasse." As to the Flemings let them return the 20 crs. I lent them and I will send them back. Messieurs de Qualles (Calais) have no cause to keep you in prison, for neither you nor we have done harm to the English. It is favouring one party more than the other, and I did not put the Flemings in prison. They tell me that you are [commanded] to send them to Boulogne (?).

Complains that they made him give his money to 23 other prisoners, who have gone away. Eu, 13 Oct.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

14 Oct. **904.** [Rich. Morison.]

Royal MS. 7 C. xvi. f. 212. B. M. Notes on various subjects from the different books of the Old Testament. Arranged in two columns on each page, with marginal headings showing the different subjects.

In Morison's hand, pp. 28. *The first page very illegible. At the end we read:*—Finis, 14 Octobris, anno domini 1537.—"Sicut olim puer contemplatione operum naturæ admirabundus cœpi omnia curiosius examinare, ita

* "Sy vous plesoiet donner conje a Madame sept (*sic*) este a venyr a Dieppe a la Nostre Dame Demyoult.

† Clearly a wrong date, as appears by preceding letters.

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hunc librum legens, opera Dei miranda animo volvens, stupore quodam mentis aliquamdiu eram detentus; tandem tamen, spiritu adjutus, eo usque perfeci ut, quemadmodum religiosius saltem venerari misteria non intellecta didici, ita ea ad quæ penetrare licuit sanctissime colui, certæ spei nixus me, Christi aliquando præsidio, ad abstrusiora illa perductum iri."

14 Oct. **905.** Margaret Marchioness of Dorset to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. I. 570. Has received the Queen's letters with the most joyful news that has come to England these many years of the birth of a prince. Thanks the King for having appointed her to bear my lord Prince to his christening. Is sorry to be banished from Court by the sickness here. Croydon, 14 Oct. *Signed.*

Add.

14 Oct. **906.** Brian Talbot to Cromwell.

R. O. Has delivered Cromwell's letters to the abp. of Canterbury, by whom he had great rebukes, and whose servants used him "with delusion and scorns" after he left the abp's presence. Will never deliver letters to the abp. again. In behalf of his son, desires four gentlemen of the country as Mr. Baron Hale, Mr. Chr. Hale master of the Rolls, Mr. John Fogg, esquire, and one William Gooldwell, justice, may order the matter. Westwell in Kent, 14 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Ld. Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Oct. **907.** John Fogg to Cromwell.

R. O. I thank your lordship for befriending John Grene, late farmer of Sir John* Marshall parson of Mersham in Kent, of whose oppressions I lately wrote. Brian Talbot has since come to me to know if Marshall were the priest he once informed against for treasonable words. He is not. That priest lived at Detlyng and is fled. He hurt a poor man John Drure who accused him. But a priest named Huys yet dwelling in Maidstone assisted him, and if instructed I will bring him to you. Asheford, 14 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

908. John Drewry, of Ashford, Kent, to [Cromwell ?].

R. O. Petition setting forth that he is maimed and undone for ever for speaking in his prince's quarrel. At the time of the insurrection in the North he went from London as far as Durnam (*sic*) where he met one Sir Davy, a priest, who had been fellow servant with him to Sir John Fogge. Sir Davy asked him whose part he would take and when he replied, that of his Prince, said "No. A tyrant more cruel than Nero; for Nero destroyed but a part of Rome, but this tyrant destroyeth his whole realm," adding that he especially persecuted Holy Church. On this Drewry denounced him as a traitor and fled to the kitchen, "where myne oste and ostes was, he grinding of malt and she dressing her child by the fire." Sir Davy pursued him, and with a long "prage," thrust at him through two doublets, his shirt, "and a little perished my flesh, not to me knowing till myne ostes spyed it." Drew his dagger, and the master of the house came; in whose presence Davy struck him in the face, "supposing it had be to the heart," and escaped to Hettcorne parish five or six miles off, where he reported to the curate that he had killed a man. Next day (Saturday) Master Hewys, commissary of Maidstone, sent Sir Davy (as he was his countryman and kinsman) a gown and a piece of gold, commanding him to flee, though he knew from the writer that he was a

* Should be Sir William as in his letter of 26 Sept. *See* Valor Eccl. I. 47.

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908. John Drewry, of Ashford, Kent, to [Cromwell ?]—*cont.*

traitor, and, to stop all charges, offered to pay all expenses, both boarding and leechcraft, which the writer refused to his great hindrance. Nevertheless Hewys released the traitor and delivered the priest his goods again and conveyed him out of the country, "he knowing me to be undone, my wife and all my children, my goods spent, my lands sold and mortgaged." Has only been relieved by his good master and Mrs. Fogge, who have helped him with 30*s.* and above in ready money, besides wheat and malt, and commanded him "to instruct your grace the truth." But Master Hewys is rich and has divers benefices and friends to "suppress" him, unless he receive special favour.

Pp. 2. *Begins:* Most honorable and my gracious good Lord. *Endd.*

[14 Oct.] **909.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 383.

Cromwell's request touching Master Barker shall be done. He seems a man of honest conversation, not without good letters. Has seen the resignation. Requires two things: first, that the poor college* be not bound for the pension, to which Master Barker himself is agreeable; for Dr. Bell may well outlive him, and then the succeeder should come into a warm office, to be charged not only with fruits and tenths, but also with pension. The other is that Cromwell should persuade Barker to tarry upon it and preach, to the reformation of that blind end of the diocese. For else what are we the better for his great literature and good conversation? The houses are toward ruin, and the whole town far out of frame for lack of residence. Commits this to Cromwell's goodness, which is not wont to regard more the wealth and pleasant living of one body than the necessary relief of many souls. His commandment shall be done about Sir Large, whose cause he thinks Cromwell judges rightly, that malice is in one part and simplicity in the other. Postridie Edwardi, at Warwick.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

14 Oct. **910.** Raskelf, Yorkshire.

R. O.

"Reparacions made upon the King's manor place at Raskell the 14th day of October by William Lawson, bayley there, anno r. R. Henrici VIII^{vi}. xxix^{o}." The sum of the account is 4*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* *Signed by* "Sir Henry Plover, prest," John Wodward, *and* John Watson *as witnesses.*

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15 Oct. **911.** Prince Edward.

Add. MS. 6,113, f. 81. B. M. Nichols' Edward VI. cclv.

"The christening of Prince Edward, the most dearest son of King Henry the VIIIth of y^{t} name."

"By the provision of God, Our Lady S. Mary, and the glorious martyr S. George,† on the 12 day of October, the feast of St. Wilfrid, the vigil of St. Edward, which was on the Friday, about two o'clock in the morning, was born at Hampton Court Edward son to King Henry the VIIIth," year 1537, Dominical letter G., 29 Henry VIII., "which was not christened till the Monday next following."

Incontinent after the birth *Te Deum* was sung in Paul's and other churches of the city, and great fires [were made] in every street, and goodly banquetting and triumphing cheer with shooting of guns all day and night, and messengers were sent to all the estates and cities of the realm, to whom were given great gifts.

"The preparations ordained for the said christening at Hampton Court." Describing minutely the course of the procession and the decorations of the

* Of Stratford-on-Avon. † "By the provision of the living God" in § 2.

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chapel, with the positions occupied by the officers of the household (Sir John Russell, Sir Fras. Bryan, Sir Nic. Carew, and Sir Ant. Browne in aprons and towels were to take charge of the font until discharged by the lord Steward, or, in his absence, the Treasurer of the Household). The order of going to the christening was: First, certain gentlemen two and two bearing torches not lighted until the prince be Christened. Then the children and ministers of the King's chapel, with the dean, "not singing going outward." Gentlemen esquires and knights two and two. Chaplains of dignity two and two. Abbots and bishops. The King's councillors. Lords two and two. The comptroller and treasurer of the Household. The ambassadors. The three lords chamberlains and the lord Chamberlain of England in the midst. The lord Cromwell, being lord Privy Seal, and the lord Chancellor. The duke of Norfolk and abp. of Canterbury. A pair of covered basins borne by the earl of Sussex, supported by the lord Montague. A "taper of virgin wax borne by the earl of Wiltshire in a towel about his neck." A salt of gold similarly borne by the earl of Essex. "Then the crysome richly garnished borne by the lady Elizabeth, the King's daughter: the same lady for her tender age was borne by the viscount Beauchamp with the assistance of the lord."* Then the Prince borne under the canopy by the lady marquis of Exeter, assisted by the duke of Suffolk and the marquis her husband. The lady mistress went between the prince and the supporter. The train of the Prince's robe borne by the earl of Arundel and sustained by the lord William Howard." "The nurse to go equally with the supporter of the train, and with her the midwife." The canopy over the Prince borne by Sir Edw. Nevyll, Sir John Wallop, Ric. Long, Thomas Semere, Henry Knyvet, and Mr. Ratclif, of the Privy Chamber. The "tortayes" of virgin wax borne about the canopy by Sir Humph. Foster, Robt. Turwytt, George Harper, and Ric. Sowthwell. Next after the canopy my lady Mary, being lady godmother, her train borne by lady Kingston. All the other ladies of honour in their degrees.

When the Prince was christened all the torches were lighted and Garter King at Arms proclaimed his name (proclamation verbatim, titles duke of Cornwall and earl of Chester). "This done, this service following was in time the Prince was making ready in his traverse, and *Te Deum* sung":— First, to the lady Mary the lord William to give the towel and the lord Fytzwater to bear covered basins, and the lord Montagew† to uncover. Item, to the bishop that doth administer, the lord Butler‡ to bear the towel, the lord Bray to bear the basins and the lord Delaware to uncover. To the duke of Norfolk and abp. of Canterbury, godfathers, the lord Sturton to bear the towel and the lord Wentworth to give the water. To serve the ladies Mary and Elizabeth with spices, wafers, and wine: the lord Hastings to bear the cup to lady Mary, and the lord Delaware that to lady Elizabeth; lord Dacres of the South to bear the spice plates to both, lord Cobham the wafers, and lord Montagew† to uncover the spice plate. The bishop that doth administer, the duke of Norfolk and abp. of Canterbury, godfathers at the font, and the duke of Suffolk, godfather at the confirmation, to be likewise served by knights appointed by the lord Chamberlain. All other estates and gentles within the church were served with spice and ypocras, and all other had bread and sweet wine.

The going homeward was like the coming outward, saving that the taper, salt and basin were left and the gifts of the gossips carried, *i.e.* Lady Mary, a cup of gold borne by the earl of Essex; the archbishop, 3 great bowls and 2 great pots, silver and gilt, borne by the earl of Wiltshire;

* *Sic*—"The lord Morley" in Leland.

† A later hand has written the word "traditor" *sic* over his name.

‡ The same later hand has erroneously altered this name to Bousher, and this form is followed in § 2, and also in Hearne's Leland, where the name appears as Bourcher.

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Norfolk, ditto, borne by the earl of Sussex; Suffolk, 2 great flagons and 2 great pots, silver and gilt, borne by Viscount Beauchamp. Lady Elizabeth went with her sister Lady Mary and Lady Herbert of Troy to bear the train. Sounding of the trumpets. Taking of "assayes." The Prince was then borne to the King and Queen and had the blessing of God, Our Lady, and St. George,† and his father and mother; and the same day the King gave great largess.

ii. The names of all estates and gentlemen present at the christening.

The lord Chancellor. Dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk. Marquis of Exeter. Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal.‡ Earls of Arundel, Oxford, Essex, Wiltshire, and Sussex. Viscount Beauchamp. Lords Howard, Admiral, Delaware, Sandes, Bray, Montagewe,‡ Sturton; Hongerforth of Hechbury,‡ Cobham, Dacre of the South, Montjoye, Fitzwater, Hastings and Butler. The abp. of Canterbury. Bishops of London, Lincoln, Rochester, Chichester, St. Asse, and Carlisle. [Abbots of Westminster, St. Albans, Waltham, Towerhill and Stratford].§ Mr. Henage, Sir John Russell, Sir Francis Bryan, Sir Nich. Carowe, Sir Thomas Cheyny, Sir Ant. Browne, Sir John Walloppe, Ric. Long, Thos. Semere, Hen. Knyvet, Peter Meutus, Sir Humph. Foster, Geo. Harper, John Welsborne, Rog. Ratclif, Ant. Knyvet, Rob. Turwytte, Sir Humph. Ratclif, Sir John Sentjohn, Sir Thos. Rotheram, John Williams, Ralph Verney, Sir Wm. Essex, Sir Ant. Hongerford, Sir Wm. Barnden (*in another hand* "ou Baratyn"), Sir Walt. Stoner, Sir John Brown, Sir John Bouchier, Sir Edw. Baynton, [Sir Henry Bayngton],‖ Sir Hen. Long, Sir Wm. Kingiston, Sir John Briggis, Sir Nich. Poyntes, Sir Walt. Deynis, Ant. Kyngston, Sir John Sentlowe, Sir Hugh Paullet, Sir Giles Strangwishe, Sir Thos. Arundell, Sir John Horsey, Sir John Rogers, Sir Wm. Paullet, John Paullet, Sir John Gage, Sir Wm. Goryn, Sir Edw. Nevill, Sir John Dudley, Sir Willm. Haulte, Sir Edw. Hutton, Sir Wm. Kempe, Sir Thos. Poynynges, John Norton, Sir Ric. Weston, Sir Ric. Page, Sir Giles Capell, Sir John Rainsforth, Sir Thos. Darcy, Sir John Sentleger, Sir John Turrell, Wm. Sailiard, Sir Chr. Willoughby, Sir Ric. Sandes, Sir Geo. Somerset, Sir Arth. Hopton, Sir Ant. Wingfeld, Sir Wm. Drury, Edw. Chamberlain, Ric. Sowthwill, Sir Hen. Parker, Sir Griffith Dunne, Sir Ph. Butler, Sir Rob. Payton, Sir Giles Alington, Thos. Meggis, Thos. Wriothesley, Ric. Manners. The dean of St. Stephen's, archd. of Richmond, dean of Exeter, dean of Windsor, dean of Sarum, Dr. Bell, Thurlbee, Dr. Turryt, Mr. Patte, Dr. Wilson, Dr. Skippe, and Dr. Daye.

P. 12. *In a later hand.*

Egerton MS. 985, f. 33. B. M.

2. Another copy in a modern hand, with some slight variations.

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*** The account printed by Hearne in Leland's Collectanea (II. ii. p. 670) is the same as this with some verbal differences.

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912. Worcester.

Examination of witnesses before Roger Warde and John Williams, bailiffs of the city of Worcester, taken in the Guildhall there, 15 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., in the presence of Humphrey Burforde late high bailiff, three aldermen, and two others named (including Thos. Hyll the town clerk) at the request of Thos. Evance, the King's servant, against Rob. Deyn *alias* Adeyn, servant to Sir John Hurlston, for saying in Ric. Whitney's house in Martley,

† "The blessing of God, &c.," in § 2.
‡ Each of these names is marked by the later hand "treditur" or "tryditor" for "traditor."
§ Crossed out. Not noticed in § 2. ‖ Inserted later.

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Worc., that he would fight in his master's cause against the King, and if he killed the King he should but be hanged, as for killing another man.

Names of the witnesses:—Walter Smythes, Joan Wryght, Gilbert Harley, *alias* Dalay, Eleanor Whitney, wife of the above Richard, and Walter Harrys. The accused confesses the words.

On parchment, stained and partly illegible. Sealed with the official seal of the bailiffs of Worcester.

913. HENRY VIII. to ———.

R. O. St. P. v. 112. Having revoked the duke of Norfolk from those parts and established a Council, of which the bp. of Durham is made president, we have appointed you a member of the same. We doubt not your zeal both when at the Council and in your country, and expect you to show such respect to the lord president that we may see you honour us in our minister, especially when matters of complaint are preferred against your tenants.

Draft in Wriothesley's hand. Endd. inaccurately: The minute of the King's letter to my lord of Norfolk.

914. THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTH.

R. O. i. "The fees of the King's Council in the North parts."

The lord President, 800*l.*; Sir Thomas Tempest, 100 mks.; Sir Ralph Ellerkar, 100 mks.; Sir Marmaduke Constable the elder, 20*l.*; Robt. Bowes, 100 mks.; Wm. Bapthorp, 50*l.*; Ric. Belassis, 20*l.*; Robt. Chaloner, 50*l.*; John Uvedall, 20*l.*; Sir Wm. Evers, 20*l.*; serjeant Fayrefax, 20*l.* Total, 1,200*l.*

ii. "The fees and wages of the King's Council in the Marches of Wales."

The lord President for diets, at the rate of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per week, 693*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir John Porte, one of the justices, 40 mks.; Sir Ant. Fitzherbert, 10*l.*; Sir Edw. Croft, 10*l.*; Sir Rice Mauncel, 10*l.*; John Russell, secretary, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Roger Wigeston, 5*l.*; John Vernon, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Thomas Holt, attorney, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Ric. Hassar (*sic*), solicitor, 5*l.*; Wm. Carter, armourer at Ludlow, at 6*d.* a day, 9*l.* 3*s.* Item, for foreign expenses yearly, 100 mks. Total, 875*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.* (*sic*).

Summa utriusque, 2,075*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

2. Expenses of the Council.

R. O. Diets of my lord of Durham, with the fees of those joined with him in Council and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for a messenger, 1,220*l.* The keeping of the pledges of Tyndale and Ryddesdale and the charge of posts must also be paid upon the bishop's bill. The fees of the deputy wardens of the East and Middle Marches, and the annuities of the pensioners, 733*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Those of the West Marches, 273*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, of which half must be paid at Christmas. Fees of the captain of Carlisle and his men, 204*l.* A fee must be given to Sir Geo. Lawson for the receipt and payment of the above sums.

P. 1. *Endd.:* The Northern matters.

R. O. 3. The charges of the diets of my lord of Durham, President of the Council in the North, with the fees of those joined in the said Council with him, and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for a messenger, amount to 1,220*l.*

The fees of the deputy wardens of the East and Middle Marches with the annuities of the pensioners there do amount to ——*

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15 Oct. **915.** TUNSTALL to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. v. 116.

He and his fellows write to the King of their proceedings at York. Encloses a copy of their letter to Sir Reynold Carnaby, in answer to his letter to Norfolk which arrived after the Duke's departure. Suggests that Uvedale has a signet (described) which might be used for these parts. Norfolk has left the pledges of Tynedale and Riddesdale, which be brought to York, here, not at Newcastle. Thinks it inexpedient to imprison them strictly, else more will not come in. The sheriffs are loth to keep them, and in Sheriffhutton there are not always people enough resident. If the King wishes them kept at Newcastle, wishes he would write to the town to receive them. The names of Darcy, Sir Robert Constable, and others are not yet removed from the commissions of the peace. Require the books sent down containing the decrees of the last commission and my lord of Richmond. Master Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, should be put in our commission as in previous ones. Notwithstanding his age he was on the King's side at Doncaster. York, 15 Oct.

P.S. (*in his own hand*).—Find that they have no authority to levy force in case of resistance to their precepts, and all the gentlemen are sworn to levy none except at the King's command. Sir Thomas Tempest, by order of Norfolk, keeps the sons of Sir Thomas Percy at his house in the Bpric., which is not strong and within 16 miles of Tyndale, with no obstacle between except when the water is high. Some other place were more meet. The children are young and must be among women. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

15 Oct. **916.** TUNSTALL to NORFOLK.

R. O.

Within three hours of Norfolk's departure letters came for him from Master Carnaby and Lionel Gray, which they thought it right to open. They made answer to Carnaby, as their letters to the King and lord Privy Seal will show. Have sent Carnaby's letter to the King. Knows not if Norfolk will be at Court when their letters arrive. The letter of Lionel Gray requires Norfolk's advice, which he can give to the King. Explained on Saturday last to the gentlemen of the county the cause of his sudden departing, and though they would fain have taken leave of him they were glad of the cause he was sent for. York, 15 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 Oct. **917.** JOHN UVEDALE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has received his kind letter by my lord of Durham. Is much bound to him for his advancement to this room and stipend now granted to him by the King, and also for his advice like that of a father. Fears he can hardly get qualified ministers, the profits appointed are so small, and cannot undertake it himself in his old days. York, 15 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Oct. **918.** SEDITION.

R. O.

A day or two before 15 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. there came to the house of St. Robert's beside Knaresborough a suspicious vagabond called John Petenson, who, for such seditious reports as he began to disclose, was taken by the minister of the house and delivered to Thomas Slingesbie, who brought him, with his confession as hereafter follows, to my lord President and Council to the city of York the same day.

This is the saying of John Patenson, of Old Felton. That friar Robert Ashton was lodged at his father's house on Tuesday last and other divers nights, and desired him to commend him to the brethren of St. Robert's; that

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my lord Lumley lies at Hull Park at the Friars and the said friar Ashton is his chaplain, and sometimes is in harness and rides to baron Hilton's, and two or three men of Beverley wait on him. Also that many of them that were fled to Scotland had returned, and lay about Hull Park and Alnwick. That one Arthur Percy came from France to Berwick with seven ships, and is now with lord Lumley at Hull Park. That the commons of Scotland had risen with the outlaws of England against their King, and had driven him to a hold and intended to "pyne" him.

"Finally," he confessed that one Dixon, a Scotchman dwelling in England near the borders "having a coll blakk here" (coal black hair?) of the age of 40, with a white face, met him at Alnwick in the house of one Strother on Monday fortnight, gave him a groat, and desired him to bruit the premises abroad in England, and bring him word again after All Hallow tide, and bade him speak with friar Grene at Knaresborough.

Further, he said, that Stephen Roper, of Cottingham, gave him a groat and bade him go to Beverley to Wilson's wife, intending he should go on her errand into Scotland to speak with her husband, and gave him a token to her, which was that Roper and she did eat bread and cheese and drank together in her house; and then she desired Roper to get her a messenger to her husband into Scotland. On which Patenson went to her, received of her 12*d.* and went into Scotland to see Wilson. And she "recommended her" to her husband by the same token that at his going from her she gave him 40*s.* And so he went, he said, to Edinburgh and spoke with Wilson, with the friar of St. Robert's and with another Englishman at the sign of the Swan, a little from the castle of Edinburgh, tarrying there with them two nights and a day, and the friar gave him 2*d.* and Wilson other 2*d.*, and he returned home to England again. And by counsel of the foresaid Dixon he told all the lies mentioned by him, spoken at Knaresborough and affirmed all those his reports and sayings at Knaresborough to be but feigned. He was accordingly committed to ward in York castle, and after remaining there four or five days, Sir Ralph Ellerker, William Babthorp, Robt. Chaloner, and John Uvedale were sent to examine him again. But he would confess no otherwise than before is expressed from the word "Finally," plainly declaring all his sayings at Knaresborough to be but lies. But when the said Sir Ralph Ellerker and the others left him, they advised —— Bucok, keeper of York castle, to examine him upon the premises, and when they were gone he made this confession to the keeper:—

That one William Spurryer, of Beverley, smith, Stephen Roper, Wilson's wife, of Beverley, and William Watson, of the same, with four or five other persons, of Beverley, desired him to have them commended to Wilson, late of Beverley, and Dixon the Scotchman and the friars of St. Robert's, and that he should show them that they desired the said banished men to come back to England with as great a company of Scots as they might bring, and that Spurryer and the others would cause the country about Beverley to assemble in such a way as it has heretofore done, and it would never be well with England till that were done. And Spurryer took to the said Patenson, to his costs, 2*d.*

On knowledge of this last confession of Patenson the foresaid Sporier, Roper, and Watson were by command of the Council brought to York, but before their examination Sir Ralph Ellerker, Babthorp, Chaloner, and Uvedale were sent for to examine the said Patenson again and make him rehearse his said confession before the gaoler. Being brought before them and the gaoler he denied both it and his former traitorous confessions, declaring them all to be false, and that he heard these communications at divers times of such vagabonds as himself; that he had accused the said persons only because he knew them and not others thereabouts; and that he never was in Scotland in his life.

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918. Sedition—*cont.*

This being disclosed to my lord President, Patenson was examined again face to face with Sporier, Roper, and Watson, each apart, in presence of my lord President and the Counsel, and there denied his accusations, and scarcely knew them. The said Watson was so deaf that the loudest man crying in his ear could hardly make him hear, and he knew not Patenson. The malice of Patenson being thus proved, he was committed again to prison, and afterwards at the oyer determiner was indicted, arraigned and executed for treason.

Pp. 7. *Endd.*

15 Oct. **919.** Guillaume le Gras to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter of the 20th Sept., and am delighted to know your pleasure touching your son Master James, whom you do not wish to go and live at the college. I did not wish to do it without your advice, although many of your friends thought it would be well. To go to college and return to my house is not advisable on account of the distance. We will teach him at home whatever you are pleased to command. Paris, 15 Oct. 1537.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

15 Oct. **920.** Guillaume le Gras to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I would write to you oftener if you understood my language; but I trust you are well enough informed by my letters to my lord Deputy of the disposition of your son Mr. James, who shall not go to college; and for my part I would not send him without my lord's consent and yours. We will make him learn at home what we can. I send you five crapes, the finest I can get here. I have advanced for Mr. James 123*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*, as you will see by the bill I send. Be good enough to deliver the amount to Verdun Labé, who is now at Calais. Paris, 15 Oct. 1537.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

16 Oct. **921.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

R. O. On Monday prince Edward was christened, and on the same day Sir Geo. Frogmorton was sent to the Tower. It is said that Dyngley has impeached him. That same day lord Montague's brother came to Court to do service, but the King would not suffer him to come in. On Thursday next the Prince shall be created, and my lord Admiral shall be made earl of Hampton, and lord Beauchamp earl of Salisbury. This is the last news I shall write till I come home. I am told my lord Comptroller would not allow Hastings' man at the banner watch (?). Your Lordship knows well he had good occasion to sue. No man in England or in France has more. I have made suit to my lord Privy Seal to make an end of that matter, for it has undone them both, and they have been from their rooms a long time to the detriment of the King's service. I never heard that your Lordship hurt any man, and I trust you will not begin with Hastings, for I never heard him speak but good words of your Lordship. I hear this day that Vekar complained to the King of your Lordship. I cannot tell particulars. I have declared to my lord Privy Seal and my lord Admiral that if you have new letters daily for rooms I would not have your place for 1,000*l.* a year more than your Lordship has. I will say as much to the King before I come home, for it is quite contrary to the Act. London, 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

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16 Oct. **922.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. The Prince was christened on Sunday last at 12 o'clock, whose birth has more rejoiced all true hearts than anything done this 40 years. Hopes the King will have many more sons. Hopes Lisle has long since heard of his birth by John Skarlet who went with the Queen's letters. The duke of Norfolk and the abp. of Canterbury were godfathers at the font, my lady Mary godmother and the duke of Suffolk godfather at the confirmation. Corbet was there, who will give you particulars at his return. My lord Admiral and my lord Privy Seal will be created earls next Thursday.* The former, I am told, is to be earl of Warwick and the King has already given him in fee simple 2,000*l.* out of the attainted and suppressed lands. My lord Privy Seal is to be earl of Kent or of Hampton: the King has given him 200*l.* a year. Young Mr. Parre and others are to be made lords and certain knights will be made, of whom I shall bring you an account myself. My lord Admiral says he has finished all your causes, though what they are I know not. My lord Privy Seal has been too busy to hear suitors, but I hope to know his determination in your matters by Friday or Saturday, and also concerning the fife, whom I see he would like to be readmitted to his room on any terms. Geo. Rolles is come out of Devonshire and says there are but 2 or 3 oaks felled in all your woods of Frystock, of which I am right glad. Hopes before this term end the transportation of the lands shall be settled. Expects by Mr. Russell's help to get a bill signed to levy last year's rent. The chancellor of that court† is not your friend and what has been done was "maugre his head." Hopes to bring Lisle's patent. As to Mr. Ponson, the gelding was delivered 7 days before Hercules' coming over. The abbot of Westminster must have his 2 tuns of wine before Candlemas. Will come on Sunday at furthest. Would have been with him 8 days ago but for this impeachment to my lord Privy Seal. St. Katharine's, 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

16 Oct. **923.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. The Prince was christened on Sunday last, and all the ceremonies were finished by 12 o'clock. The duke of Norfolk and the abp. of Canterbury were godfathers at the font, my lady Mary godmother, and the duke of Suffolk godfather at the confirmation. On Thursday next my lord Admiral will be created earl of Warwick, as the saying is, and my lord Privy Seal earl of Kent or of Hampton.* Other lords and knights will also be made. I will report particulars at my coming. Corbet can inform you of the ceremonies at the christening, for he stood by and saw them. Mrs. Hutton has prepared two frontlets which cost 23*s.* a piece for Mrs. Anne and Mrs. Katharine. On Sunday last lady Sussex sent to me with all speed to make Mrs. Anne a new gown either of lion tawny velvet or of black velvet turned up with yellow satin; which I have done with much work. By Tonge's help the gown was made up and she wore it at the christening. Yet she must have against the Queen's churching a new satin gown, and against Christmas a new gown of lion tawny velvet. I intend to leave on Sunday at furthest and to bring James with me, if he go not before, and Sendye. Mrs. Gryffyn will send you the pepper if she can get any money of the treasurer. I think the ladies liked the partridge pie, though its fashion was marred by the ship which brought it lying almost a tide under water in the Thames. The master was not to blame. The habiliments of gold were delivered according to your instructions. St. Katharine's, 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

* Husee's information was evidently very inaccurate. † The Augmentations.

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16 Oct. **924.** THOS., Prior of Christ Church, Canterbury, to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. IV., 135. B. M.

Has received his letter by Mr. Myllyng, which is more comfort to him and his brethren than he can express. They have hitherto given him a yearly fee of 10*l.* Have now heartily granted him and his son Gregory a yearly fee of 20*l.* Sends the patent by Mr. Myllyng, the bearer, and 10*l.* in full payment of the old fee. Request him to redeliver the old patent. The two farms of which Cromwell desires the reversion for his servants, Ralph Vane and Harry Thomas, are occupied for certain years to come, but meanwhile they shall have the reversions under the prior's seal, or, if Cromwell prefer it, under that of the convent, though it has not been usual to have two convent seals out together; but they must give sureties. Cromwell has already dispensed with them for certain injunctions left by the King's visitor. Three more injunctions have since been left, for which they desire dispensations also, or at least to have them modified; first, that kinswomen may resort to them honestly; second, that they may receive brethren into the habit at 18, and profess them at 22; third, that their reader of divinity may be excused reading only three times a week, for to read every day would be an importune labour. Wishes also power to punish unthrifty persons under him. Canterbury, Tuesday, 16 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.* (*at* f. 138 b): Privy Seal.

Cleop. E. IV., 134**. B. M.

2. The three injunctions referred to, viz.: 1. That no woman whatsoever come within the walls of this monastery. 2. That every day there be an hour's reading of scripture by a learned man. 3. That no one enter the order or put on the habit until he have completed his 24th year.

Lat. Small paper, p. 1.

16 Oct. **925.** JOHN BABYNGTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I write at the request of divers honest neighbours transmitting the copy of a presentment* of a jury in Yorkshire made against William Senvys, kinsman to my said neighbours, which they say is untrue, and they request that he may have indifferent judgment. I send also a paper, written on both sides the leaf, which the said Senvys wrote to his said friends, showing that in the time of the late rebellion he was honest, and the provost† and bailey deserved punishment for concealment. I trust you will remember my suits for lord Darcy's lands in Lincolnshire. Since my coming to my lady my mother since the 1st day of August she has been continually sick, which prevented me doing my duty to you when the King was at Ampthill and Grafton. *Dated at head:* 16 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Oct. **926.** SIR THOMAS WENTWORTH to CROMWELL.

R.O.

I have received a letter from your Lordship, and perceive Mr. Leighton has complained that I have forfeited my lease of the parsonage of Leyth. I promised Mr. Perpoynt 100 mks. "on my departing out of these parts," and I was commanded to convey lord Hussey and others, so I had no time for business, but left in my lord Chancellor's hands 40*l.* for Mr. Perpoynt. "And then weynyng to me that Master Leighton had kept promise with me," Sir Ralph Eyvers has taken the profits, by Leighton's means, that I could not pay Mr. Perpoynt. He, since my coming from London, did neither send nor write his mind. He has in his hands 200 mks. of mine these three years, as Garet, the scrivener, knows, of which I have not received 20 nobles. At my coming away Mr. Leighton had of me 10*l.* I have delivered the lease to your servant, Mr. Wryghte, according to your command. Mr. Leighton knows I cannot be with your Lordship to make answer, and is the more bold. 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* *See* No. 436 (2).

† Robert Nevill, provost of Rotherham College. *See* Valor Eccl. v. 44.

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16 Oct. **927.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. In favour of the bearer, Mr. Corbett, of Leghe. Shrewsbury, 16 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Oct. **928.** The Mayor and Council of Plymouth to Cromwell.

R. O. Have received his letters for the discharge of certain Frenchmen and Spaniards by whom a fray was lately made. Gives an account of the fray, which was on land between the crews of two ships at the quay. A Frenchman, a Spaniard, and an Englishman who tried to keep the peace, were hurt. Arrested 19 persons and kept them till the party hurt was compensated and a reasonable fine made with the town. The ships never encountered. Plymouth, 16 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Oct. **929.** Margaret Queen of Scotland to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. v. 119. Since the departure of Mr. Sadler she has been in great trouble and could get no messenger to the King. The King her son has stayed sentence in the divorce between her and lord Meffen and at the instigation of this Harry Stwart (*sic*) lord of Meffen, because "as he leges" (as he alleges) she would go to England and marry him that was earl of Angus. Has given the King her son her victual of Dunbar, 54 "chaders" of victual for 500 mks. Scots; but is no better treated. Complains bitterly of her troubles and the ill reports of lord Meffen and his brother. Will go into some house of religion if she gets no remedy. Desires the King to send some special servant to Scotland. Has no place to dwell in "but into a town," which is dishonour to the King that she, his sister, should be so treated. Dwnde, 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Sealed.*

16 Oct. **930.** La Rochepot to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I received yesterday at Nouyon your letter of Oct. 4, informing me that the Flemings detained by Jacques La Myre and other men of my ships, have not yet been delivered, although I had given express commands to La Myre to let them go, as I wrote to you before. I will take measures that the thing shall be done. I thank you for the good will you show. Abbeville, 16 Oct. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

16 Oct. **931.** Sir Thos. Wyatt to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I write no news because the bearer can inform you of all. Let this suffice for my excuse in this little leisure. Commend me to my lady. At Barbastra beside Mountzon,* 16 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

932. Durford Abbey.†

R. O. Extracts from the "Valor" of Durford Abbey (*see* Valor Eccl. i. 321) showing the clear yearly value at 91*l.* 16*s.* "which amounteth after 20 years' purchase" to 1,836*l.* *Signed by* Sir Richard Ryche and John Onley.

Latin, large paper, pp. 2.

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* Balbastro beside Monçon.

† Granted to Fitzwilliam, 17 Oct. 1536. *See* Grants in Oct., No. 19.

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17 Oct. **933.** J. Croke to Cromwell.

R. O. I have made search, as commanded, in the rolls, and send copies of all I have found touching the Marches of Wales for fees granted by the King. The Rolls, 17 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Oct. **934.** Richard Layton, Priest, to Cromwell.

R. O. As the letters which, at my last being with you, I delivered from the convent of Whittham, for a farm of theirs, purported (as I might conjecture by their letters to me) not so full a grant to your lordship as I wished, directly after my departure for Harrow I sent a servant with letters desiring them to make as full a grant as they could. This I suppose they have done, as I may conjecture by their letters to me, which I enclose. In case one Basyng make suit to you for any former grant the foolish prior should make him, the convent has now made you a grant, and the prior's grant without the convent is nothing. Harowe, 17 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Dr. Layton.

17 Oct. **935.** John Babington to Cromwell.

R. O. This day, the vigil of St. Luke, I have heard tidings which I trust are untrue, *i.e.*, that the King is dead. This is sprung by the hasty riding of the duke of Norfolk in post through Newark. No doubt the Council has provided for the succession according to the last Act of Parliament, and I trust true subjects will stick to that. I pray God save his Grace and send us a prince, "which some say that we have." I doubt not but by his Grace's will your lordship is in special trust. Jesus send this tidings untrue. Kynston.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

17 Oct. **936.** Sir Cuthbert Radclyff to Cromwell.

R. O. In accordance with Cromwell's letters dated London, 17 Sept., offered the stuff remaining in Alnwick castle in their custody to Ric. Gyll and Tristram Brathtwayte, servants of the late Sir Ingram Percy, but they declined it unless they had all other implements of household that belonged to the late earl of Northumberland, such as the great brew leads of the castle and other brewing stuff, which has been there these 80 years and more. Cannot deliver these without further orders. Alnwick, 17 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, president of the King's Council. *Endd.*

18 Oct. **937.** Sir William Fitzwilliam Earl of Southampton.

See Grants in October, Nos. 19 and 21.

18 Oct. **938.** Sir Edward Seymour Earl of Hertford.

See Grants in October, No. 22.

18 Oct. **939.** Creations.

Add. MS. 6,113, f. 87. B. M. Account of the creation of the earls of Hertford and Southampton.

Upon St. Luke's day the 6th day after the birth of the foresaid* prince Edward, Thursday, 18 Oct. 1537, 29 Hen. VIII., was viscount Beauchamp created earl of Hertford, and Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, lord Admiral, created earl of Southampton.

* This is a continuation in the same hand of No. 911.

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When the King had heard mass, the lords went into the King's closet to put on their robes, and Fitzwilliam wore his collar of the Garter. Then Norfolk, Exeter, and Sussex being in their robes and collars, they went to the presence chamber, where the King was standing under his cloth of estate accompanied by his nobles. There lord Beachamp was presented first, being preceded by the officers of arms, and Garter King bearing his patent of creation, which was then presented by the earl of Oxford, Great Chamberlain, to the King, who delivered it to lord Thomas Crumwell, "then Secretary." Sussex bare his sword with the pommel upwards, and the viscount was led by Norfolk and Exeter. Crumwell read the patent aloud, and at the words *cincturam gladii* the King girt the sword about his left shoulder. Then the said lord Secretary read out the letters patent and delivered them to the King, who gave them to the earl of Hertford, who thanked the King.

The lord Admiral was created earl of Southampton in all points as the earl of Hertford had been. The earls then proceeded to the Council chamber to their dinners, &c. "Md., the earl of Southampton was created after the said earl of Hertford for default of estates present in their robes to accompany them both at once."

Knights made the same day:—Sir Thomas Hennage, Sir Thomas Seymere, Sir Ric. Longe, Sir Wm. Coffyn, Sir Mich. Lister, Sir Henry Knyvet. (*After each name except Seymere's is the figure* "20*s*.")

Gifts given by the said earls to the officers of arms and the household paid and delivered by Mr. John Thynne and Mr. John Chatterton, the earls' servants.

"Md. that the said officers of arms received for their diets and attendance at Hampton Court, at the christening of my lord Prince Edward, xl. marks, paid by the hands of master Gostwike, treasurer of the dismes, tenths, and first fruits."

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Egerton MS., 985, f. 38. B. M.

2. Another copy of the above, without the final memorandum.

In a later hand, pp. 5.

Faustina, E. I. 163. B. M.

3. Fees at the creation of Edw. Seymour earl of Hertford and Wm. Fitzwilliam earl of Southampton.

Payments to officers of arms, trumpets, sewers, &c. detailed. Total, 29*l.* 5*s*.

Copy, in a later hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* "A note of an earl's creation, the fees, &c."

18 Oct. **940.** Richard Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O.

The 29th inst. shall be my feastful day, and I hope that your Lordship and my lord Chancellor will be there with other noblemen; also the ambassadors of the Emperor and the French king, with other strangers, the judges and serjeants at law, &c., "I do suppose upon 400 measse." I beg you will move the King to give me some of his does. London, Thursday, 18 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Richard Gresham.

18 Oct. **941.** Wm. Lord Sandys to Cromwell.

R. O.

Was much disappointed not to have given his attendance on the King and Cromwell. Desires his favour to the bearer, a poor old man who was one of the retinue of Calais and married the wife of a stranger, "by whom the same Adrian Doggon hath had a daughter, which daughter is married to one in Calais against this old man's will, whose husband would have from this old man such land as he had by his wife: whereupon the poor man,

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941. Wm. Lord Sandys to Cromwell—*cont.*

seeking the further state of the same land, found it confiscate to the King's Majesty by the laws at Guisnes by reason it was purchased by a stranger being no denizen." He complained to the King, who in consideration of his long service gave him the land by patent. But now a trial has arisen if the purchaser were a denizen or a stranger, for if he were a stranger the King's gift is good, if a denizen it is void. But it was proved before me when I was on the commission there that he was a stranger. He now desires your Lordship's letters to those having the hearing of the case for indifferent justice. Assher, 18 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Oct. **942.** Rauff Earl of Westmoreland to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs favour for his son, whom he now sends up to the King. Can never recompense Cromwell's goodness. Andrew Thomson, whom the lord President and Council and his neighbours can report to be a "troublesome naughty fellow," has gone up to complain to Cromwell of being evicted from his house by the earl. He was found by three inquests a naughty fellow and suspected receiver of thieves, and the house stood very ill, "nigh to no company nor neighbour." "If I had known afore that I had any house standing in such a suspect ground as that is, it should have been taken down long ere now." Credence for his son, the bearer. Brauncepeth, St. Luke's day. *Signed*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Oct. **943.** James FitzJohn of Desmond.

R. O. Articles of submission of James FitzJohn of Desmond, challenger to
St. P. II. 517. the earldom of Desmond now in his possession, exhibited to the King's commissioners, 18 Oct. 29 Henry VIII.

Will be the King's subject, obey his laws, pay rent for the lease of Crom and Adare and other of Kildare's lands in Munster; will suffer taxes to be levied within his rule (as Ossory, the baron of Delvyn and others do); will not ally himself with the King's enemies, will maintain the cites of Limerick and Cork and towns of Youghall, Kinsale, &c., and will keep Munster at peace. Jas. FitzMaurice, his rival, is a bastard and traitor "of high treason." Has promised to deliver to the commissioners his eldest son Thomas in pledge.

Endd.: Tharticles of Desmond.

R. O. 2. Another copy.

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18 Oct. **944.** Cardinal Pole.

Chigi MS. Notice (from the *Diaria Martinellis*) of the reception of the cardinal of England in a special public consistory, Friday*, 18 Oct. 1537, on his return from his unsuccessful legation to England. The Cardinals led and accompanied the legate *ad Capellam Magnam.*

Latin. Extract from a modern copy in R.O.

19 Oct. **945.** Sir William Poulet to Cromwell.

R. O. This bringer, your old servant, may now be advanced in the King's service, if any of the clerks of the Kitchen or Green Cloth be taken into my lord Prince's service: for by removing of one divers shall rise. Please speak for him and write to Mr. Comptroller to favour him. Assher, 19 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Mr. Treasurer.

* (*Sic*). The 18th of October was, however, Thursday in 1537.

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946. Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received three letters from you, and am rejoiced to find your lordship always one man. Every one is not of your fashion, *silentium in claustro.* I beg to be recommended to my lady. Both the King and my lord Privy Seal are good lords unto me; yet considering the charge I have, I would gladly see it discharged at home. I go to Court to-morrow, and do not intend to return to London until I have taken my leave of the King and the Court. I have spent 50*l.* and 50 groats. I had need to make small banquets at Calais. If I give the ward their breakfast this year, as I am accustomed, I have a dozen were like to go without their dinners for it. I trust my friends will take it *ultimum posse non est esse.* I am a good scholar to learn so much Latin in so little space. Next week the treasurer will receive our wages. I shall come home with him for company's sake, though I have nothing to receive. I long to be with you and beg to be commended to my lords and masters of the council. I trust they are all in life and charity (?), I am clean in my soul and in my purse. You know the two earls made on St. Luke's day. Mr. Long, Mr. Hennage, Mr. Coffyn. Mr. Thos. Seymour, Mr. Lyster, and 2 others were made knights.

I wrote in my last letter that "I was ramplied with malyncoly. At thys owre Capptain Reson hath subdued malyncoly and all ys at rest."

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Deputy of Calais.

19 Oct. **947.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. Here is no less rejoicing at the birth of our prince, whom we hungered
St. P. I. 571. for so long, than there was at the birth of John the Baptist, as the bearer
L.'s Remains Master Evance can tell you. God give us grace to be thankful. He
p. 385. has overcome all our illness with his exceeding goodness, so that we are
Nichols' now more than compelled to serve him, seek his glory, promote his word, if
Edw. VI. the Devil of all Devils be not in us. We have now the stop of vain trusts
I. xxiii. and the stay of vain expectations: let us all pray for his preservation. And I for my part will wish that his grace always have, and even now from the beginning, governors, instructors, and officers of right judgments, *ne optimum ingenium non optima educatione depravetur.* 19 Oct., Hartlebury.

Advises him to excite the bearer to be more hearty against the abuse of imagery and more forward to promote the verity.

Hol. Add.: Privy Seal.

19 Oct. **948.** Gardiner to Lord Lisle.

R. O. No news but what all the world knows. The French king is making great preparations to pass over the Mountains, but all will not be ready till the end of the month. The Turk withdrew without doing any notable act and has lost his reputation. The Venetians who always favoured the Turk, have now procured a league against him. The Emperor has taken a castle beside Narbonne to countervail the taking of Hesdin. People are weary of this game. Commendations to my Lady. Lyons, 19 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

19 Oct. **949.** Cardinal Pole.

Brady's Episc. Succ. II. 281. 19 Oct. 1537:—Cardinal Pole gave an account, in Consistory, of his legation.

Lat. Printed from a Vatican MS.

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20 Oct. **950.** CROMWELL to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 215. B. M. Nott's Wyatt 324.

As the King addresses this bearer to the Emperor to signify the birth of the Prince, and his instruction will suffice, I forbear to molest you with long letters, and only require you to handle your last commission, so that at the return of the bearer, Mr. Dudley, the King may know the Emperor's good inclination towards him. St. James beside Westminster, 20 Oct.

The King desires answer by Mr. Dudley of the matter touching Digneley, which his Grace has specially to heart. Remember what was last written touching the letters addressed from my lady Mary. *Signed.*

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Add.:* Ambassador. *Endd. by Wyat:* My Lord Privy Seal in October, "by Sir John Duddeley, at Barbastra."

20 Oct. **951.** LADY THROGMERTON to MR. PARRE.

R. O.

Good brother, Mr. Throkmerton is in trouble, as I think you know. Come up here immediately on the coming of my son to you; as I think you have business here this term. Not that I desire you to speak to my lord Privy Seal for him, but merely to give me your best counsel what to do for the help of him and myself [and my children].† "I doubt not but [for] all his trouble and business the King will" —— * * *

P. 1. *The lower half of the letter is lost. Add.:* To mi brothei Parre. *Endd.:* My lady Throgmerton—Oct. xx°.

952. SIR GEORGE THROKMORTON to [HENRY VIII.].

R. O.

About six or seven years ago conversed with Sir Thos. Dyngley in the garden at St. John's about the Parliament matters. Dyngley wondered that the Act of Appeals should pass so lightly, and Throgmorton said it was no wonder as few would displease my lord Privy Seal. Told Sir Thomas he had been sent for by the King after speaking about that Act, and that he saw his Grace's conscience was troubled about having married his brother's wife. "And I said to him that I told your Grace I feared if ye did marry Queen Anne your conscience would be more troubled at length, for it is thought ye have meddled both with the mother and the sister. And his Grace said 'Never with the mother.' And my lord Privy Seal standing by said 'Nor never with the sister either, and therefore put that out of your mind.'" This was in substance all their communication. Intended no harm to the King, but only out of vainglory to show he was one that durst speak for the common wealth; otherwise he refuses the King's pardon and will abide the most shameful death.

Was asked by my lord Privy Seal to write what other communication he may have had about the King at the Queen's Head or elsewhere; which is very hard for him to do. Reported the same conversation to Sir Thos. Englefelde at Serjeants Inn, and, he believes, to Sir William Essex; also, he rather thinks, to Sir Will. Barentyne. Essex, Barentyne, Sir John Gyfforde, Sir Marmaduke Constable and others did much use the Queen's Head at dinner and supper. Caused all servants to withdraw when they conversed of Parliament matters, but made no appointments to meet. Begs the King to have pity on his wife and children, for the service that he and his blood have done to the King's ancestors, considering how at Grafton he pardoned the writer all things concerning the Parliament, &c.

As to his unthrifty and unnatural brother, the writer met at dinner, at St. John's last Midsummer, Sir Thos. Dyngley and a young man whom he believed to dwell with Ric. Fermour. The one (he thinks the latter) told him "Your brother Michael is in good health, for I saw him of late in

† These words are crossed out.

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Antwerp in a chapel at mass." Replied that he would he had never been born. Has heard that he wrote a letter to Dr. Wotton since his departure. Has written to him since by my lord Privy Seal's mind, "which I will surely follow, both upon him and his master,* and if it be to Rome yates, to die, upon them both in that quarrel, if your Grace's pleasure be I shall so do." Regrets having shown these matters to any man, but would rather be imprisoned for life than live at large in the King's indignation.

Explains his conduct since the beginning of the Parliament of 21 Hen. VIII. Just before that Parliament friar Peto, who was in a tower in Lambeth over the gate, sent for him and showed him two sermons that he and another friar had made before the King at Greenwich, and reported a long conversation he had had with the King in the garden after the sermon. He said he had told the King that he could have no other wife while the Princess Dowager lived unless he could prove carnal knowledge between prince Arthur and her; which he said was impossible, as she, who knew best, had received the Sacrament to the contrary, and she was so virtuous that her word deserved more credit than all the other proofs; that prince Arthur's saying that he had been in the midst of Spain was probably but a light word; and that the King could never marry Queen Anne as it was said he had meddled with the mother and the daughter. He moreover advised Throgmorton if he were in the Parliament house to stick to that matter, as he would save his soul. Shortly after the beginning of the Parliament, when he had "reasoned" to the Bill of Appeals, Sir Thos. More, then Chancellor, sent Saye for him to come and speak with him in the Parliament chamber, "where, as I do remember me, stood an altar, or a thing like unto an altar, whereupon he did lean; and, as I do think, the same time the bishop of Bath was talking with him." Sir Thomas said he was glad to hear that he was so good a Catholic and that, if he continued, he would deserve great reward of God and thanks at length of the King. Took so much pride of this that he went shortly after to the bp. of Rochester with whom he had much conversation about the Acts of Appeals, Annates and Supremacy, and the authority given by our Lord to Peter. The last time he was with him the bp. gave him a book of his own device on the subject; which book he delivered to my lord Privy Seal at his house at Austin Friars. The bp. also advised him to speak with Mr. Wilson, which he did at St. Thomas the Apostle's, who also showed him divers books noted with his own hand, to confirm the same opinion. Went afterwards to Syon to one Reynolds, of whom he was confessed, and showed him his conscience in all these causes; who advised him to stick to his opinion to the death, else he would surely be damned, and also not to hold his peace in Parliament even if he thought his speaking could not prevail. This was against the opinion of the bp. of Rochester and Mr. Wylson, but Reynolds said he did not know how he might encourage others in the house to do the same. It was these counsels that blinded him so long; but he now asks pardon, having perceived his error by reading the New Testament and *The Institution of a Christian Man*. Prays for the prosperous estate of the King and his little son prince Edward.

Hol., pp. 9. *A blank leaf found apart, but apparently belonging to this document is docketed:* Concerning Sir Thomas Dyngley.

R. O. 2. Fair copy of the preceding.

Pp. 6. *Endd.:* Towchinge Sir Thomas Dyngeley.

953. Sir George Throgmorton.

R. O. Interrogatories to be ministered to Sir George Throgmerton.

First where he says "that it is thought, &c.," let him be examined whom he ever heard say any such thing of the King. (2.) Where, when, and why

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he spoke "those words" to Sir Wm. Essex, and what conversation ensued. (3.) Ditto with Sir Wm. Barentyne. (4.) Whether he communicated the matter to any other. (5–6.) Whether he thought the words true and why. (7–8.) Whether he did not think the words very slanderous to any man's good name. (9.) Whether he knew not that Sir Thomas Dingley was a man sometime travelling in far countries, whereby he might the rather spread abroad the said infamy. (10–15.) Whether he thinks such reports conducive to the peace of the common weal or fitting for a true subject to spread.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **954.** G. Earl of Shrewsbury to Cromwell.

R. O. I perceive the continuance of your favour by the good speed my servant John Leek had, at his late being with you, touching the King's grant to me of Rufford, Rotherham, and other lands; for which I thank you. Touching my lady of Northumberland's causes I will send counsel to the King's council shortly, as you desire. I beg your favour to her, and to me touching the duty I ought to have of the late lord Darcy's lands. Sheffield Lodge, 20 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

20 Oct. **955.** Katharine Countess of Northumberland to Cromwell.

Vesp. F. xiii. 83 *b.* B. M. Is bound during life to pray for the King and his lordship for the great pains he has sustained for her unto his Majesty, who has restored to her her goods and lands. Thos. Kelke, late deceased, was keeper of Catton, and had the herbage of the park with her cattle for 7 or 8 years past for the keeping of her house, for his trusty service done to her late husband; but the new keeper, John Eglisfelde, has put out her cattle. Begs that she may have her the herbage of the said park again. Catton, 20 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **956.** Edmund Coll and Adam Mytton, "Bailiffs of Salop," to Cromwell.

R. O. Received, 17 Oct., Cromwell's letters dated Mortlake, 4 Oct., and perceive that his Lordship wrote to the late bailiffs of Salop, Nic. Pursell and Roger Lewys, for one Hugh Wotton to be town clerk. Thursday before St. Matthew's day last, at a common hall, the said Hugh, at the contemplation of Cromwell's former letters and the instance of Roland bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, president of the Council in the Marches of Wales, and of Sir Thomas Englefild, deceased, it was concluded, by the voice of Richard Yemans of the common council, that Wotton should enjoy the office on the death of Thomas Cowper who now occupies it. Never knew Wotton to be a contentious man, but know he was born and dwells in the town, and is thought most apt for the room. Salop, 20 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **957.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. vii. 713. Delivered to the Regent Cromwell's letter, dated Mortlake the 10th, received by Francis the courier. Was desired to give in a written statement of grievances, which he accordingly prepared and presented next day. Sends copy. Was told it was committed to the abp. of Palermo and the Chancellor Negryn to examine. Avoided speaking of the matter mentioned in Cromwell's letter till yesterday, when he accompanied her out of Brussels towards Namur. Told her he had letters from France that the French king "wold yet efft wons one pilgrimage over the mowntayns." She said

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she did not believe Francis would go, but that the Dauphin was preparing. Told her his letters spoke of peace as probable by her good help. She said she would be glad to promote it, but had little hope. "Why, Madam," said Hutton, "will not the French king be contented, having rendered unto him the duchy of Milan, the which, as I am informed, you have made offer to do?" She laughed and said his news were written by a Frenchman. Said the writer was a friend of his who knew many secrets, and had reported to him some "vile cedisscions" against the King his master in the treaty between the Emperor and the French king—things that he would be loth to write home. She said it was not the first "bowrd" the Frenchmen had invented, and no one could justify the statement. Istilsteyn then interrupted the conversation, and Hutton took leave of her.

This day Liskirke departed towards Cambray with Mr. George Displegan to meet Commissioners from France; but it is said to be only to redress depredations since the abstinence. The abp. of Treves and other great men of Almain meet the Regent at Namur, but whereof they shall treat he cannot discover. Has just heard of the birth of a prince. Brussels, 20 Oct.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Oct. **958.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Your hawk was very well accepted, but Mr. Bryan would not leave her after he had once sight of her, and the partridge pasty, though it came not best conditioned, was thankfully taken. You must provide a tawny velvet gown for Mrs. Anne. As for Mrs. Katharine, lady Sussex and lady Rutland say you cannot bestow her better than with my lady Suffolk. Corbett will inform you of other news. James and I hope to be at Calais in six days. London, 21 Oct.

I have written my lord all the news here. You will be sorry for Mr. Sywlyards's departure to Wales. Mr. Bassett will lack his good friend.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

21 Oct. **959.** Will. Goldwell and Anthony Auchar to Cromwell.

R. O. Pursuant to your letters of 1 Oct. we have examined the demeanour of Will. Marshall, vicar of Marsham,* in this last insurrection in the North. John Blachenden, John Knachebull, John May, Laurence Colman, Ric. Lote, Nich. Halk, Ric. Ansell, and Thos. Roke, say that on the eve of All Saints last Mr. Raynold Scott, on sight of the King's letters to prepare himself and retinue for Yorkshire, sent to the vicar for one or two of his horses, who promised to give them, but departed that same night with his horses and did not return to his parsonage till St. Andrew's day. He afterwards alleged he had willed the horses to Anthony Sentleger. He has had variances with Thos. Grene for occupying his benefice of Marsham, but since your letters they are agreed, and the parson has given Grene 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in recompense of wrong done. Esshetisford, 21 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Oct. **960.** Sub-Dean and Chapter of Wells to Cromwell.

R. O. It is hard for any private person to live in this world without molestation, and much harder for a body politic, being sustained by many small portions in sundry places and at the hands of men of divers conditions, to eschew litigious controversies. As all their pursuits must proceed in Cromwell's name with the Chapter, ask leave to come to him to express their griefs and desire succour. He can do them more good, by word or writing, than large expenses in retaining counsel. Desire credence for their brother Dr. Edgeworth. The Chapter house of Wells, 21 Oct. *Signed:* "the subdean and chapiter there."

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Mersham, Kent.

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22 Oct. **961.** The Sieur de La Rochep[ot] to Cromwell.

Calig. E. iv. 7. B. M.

Profuse commendations.

"Monsieur, il y a ung gentilhome des myens nomme Sainct Martin (?) . . . . . gallyons, lequel avec autres gens et mesd. gallyons sont detenuz . . . . . Angleterre pour raison de quelques prinses faictes par iceulx gallyons . . . . apres la tresve accordee entre le Roy et l'Empereur pardeca. Et ce a la R . . . . . daucuns Flamengs et Ostrelins, lesquels comme jay entendu les . . . . . assaillir. Et pource, Mons., que jay sceu que lesd. Flamengs et [Ostrelins] . . . . . fortes parties a mesd. gens et ont de bons amys pardela, jay . . . . . adresser a vous par ceste lettre." Prays him to see justice done and that his men may keep their goods. Abbeville, 22 Oct. *Signed.*

French, p. 1. *Top and right edge much injured. Add.:* Privy Seal.

22 Oct. **962.** Abbot of Arbroath to James V.

Add. MS., 19,401, f. 39. B. M.

This bearer and his companions came to Leonis the 7th inst. with five falcons, and the sixth dead by the way. Ere that the Dolphin and the Great Master were ready to depart over the hills "to ye veris (wars); sua (so)" I thought not meet to present hawks to the Great Master at that time, but delivered two to the cardinal of Veneur and the other three to the cardinal of Tournon, who is always your Grace's servant and in great credit with his master. I have been very busy in your affairs, and within a month after John Charteris and Thos. Crage left, I presented your other writings to the King your father and showed him how your Grace thanked him for his counsel; also that you had no hasty desire of marriage, considering the recent decease of your Queen, but would ever conform to his counsel, and therefore had sent me writings that you had consented to Madame de Longueveil and given me power to conclude therein. The King was well content, and said he would give her as his daughter, with many good words of her wisdom and guiding. The Cardinal said that he and their house were "perpetually obliged" to remain your servants. The same day the King sent for M. de Guise, who was in Champaigne, to come and conclude matters. He came to Leonis this 21 Oct., where I have tarried for him ever since the King's departure on the 10th. He is marvellous desirous of the expedition of the matter. His delay was because he "has done diligence" and sent the post on to the duke of Lorraine and his daughter and has got their consent. To-day he departs towards the King at Grenoble, 18 leagues from this, and I shall follow him fast. The matter had been concluded long ago but for the great press of business. Everyone takes you for a noble, wise, and constant prince "yat bydis sa ferme at ye king zour fader," who shows plainly he will do as much for you as for his natural son. Begs him to have patience as things go so well. Longs to see him and will come home in spite of the winter if there be good settled weather; for the lady is "stark and well complexioned and may endure travel." She is at present with her mother in Champaigne. Since the King left Fontainebleau the morning after the writer's arrival he has done nothing but travel continually, and there has been nothing ado but assembling of men of war, Swiss, Almain, Italian, and French, so that he is at this hour "vtouch" 40,000 foot, 1,000 men of arms, and 1,200 light horse. The principal cause of sending the Dolphin over the hills is to victual Turing, Pynzerol, and other "strenches" in Pemond; which done the army will scale. The enemy is not "stark aneuch" to resist them. "The Turk is reterit him and past away and hes done bot sobir skaith apoun Cristin men, loving to God!; quhilk is liker to be be mirakle nor vyer (other) way, considering yat he had na fors nor party to resist aganis him he wes mekle persecutit be turment of evil wedder." Can get nothing from Peir Weiff, who says the Queen (whom God assolze!) owed him more than he has received. Will employ the money of James' county of Gyane upon wine and other necessaries. Leonis, 22 Oct. *Signed:* "Arbroht."

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963. Lord Butler.

R. O. St. P. II. 475. "Remembrances for my lord Privy Seal concerning my lord Butler's despatching with therle of Ossories suits and his own."

Proofs that "the name of honour" of Ormonde is tailed to heirs male. Ormonde is in the Irishry, and renders no profit but a little rent obtained at times by hostile invasions. Thomas, the last earl, entailed Ormonde, Tullugh, and Arcloo to the earl of Ossory that now is.

By indenture the earl of Wiltshire and his coparcioner are bound in 1,000*l.*, that Ossorie may take advantage of any further title shown within 30 years after date. The premises were not then shown, nor were other evidences concerning Turvey, Castelwarnyng, and Oghterarde. His right might have been provided in Parliament, but to bar others of like petitions he was content to be estopped.

The premises are not moved by "suit of petition," but by humble supplication that the King will advance the earl to his old honour. Never presumed to wrestle with Wiltshire, but yielded in everything, trusting to Wiltshire's preferment, being his nigh kinsman. The evidences will be produced by Walter Cowley when called for, together with the King's grants upon Dungarvan and Callan.

As for me, my bringing up in the King's Court, admittance to the King's service, and advancement to the Privy Council in Ireland, and to be treasurer there, bind me, besides my duty, ever to serve the King. Upon the exile of the traitor, Thomas Fitzgerald, I defended Catherlagh and Kilkaa, upon the marches of the McMorrowes and Moores, at some cost, as the King's Council know. Desires to have some "estate in the same." Expended much money in apprehending Burnell, and was offered much for him by Mr. Treasurer and the Council, but refused, as I would deliver him myself; for whom, at your command, I have now sent. The lands are worth but 80*l.* a year, and there is a house in Dublin, late the earl of Kildare's, worth 4*l.* a year.

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23 Oct. **964.** Ireland.

R. O. Grant to Thos. Stephins of the office of constable of Wykelowe Castle, *vice* Hugh Clerke. 27 June, 26 Hen. VIII. [*See* Vol. VII. No. 922 (24)].

ii. Grant of certain land to Peter Butler, earl of Ossory and Ormond, and to Jas. Butler, lord Butler, being a copy of pat. 29 Hen. VIII., p. 4, m. 9. Westm., 23 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII. [*See* Grants in October, No. 35.]

iii. List of lands included in the above grant with the annual value.

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*** A copy of § ii. will be found in MS. Titus B. xi. 245, B.M., and of ii. and iii. in MS. Lambeth 611, ff. 10, 12.

Lamb, MS. 602, f. 161. 2. The extent of the lands comprised in the earl of Ossory's bill, yearly 140*l.* Though he pretends to have an undoubted title to 60*l.* thereof, he does not intend to try with the King for it, but will petition for the whole. He cannot spend by all his lands more than 5 mks. a year. The extent of Burnell's lands, 42*l.* His mother's reversion, 30*l.* His brother's land, 13*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* The said Earl, on the death of Thos. late earl of Ormond, was found to be his next heir male, sued out his livery and was called earl of Ormond by the King in his letters patent and missive, for 16 years. The earl of Wiltshire is content that he should be called earl of Ormond in Ireland, like as the two lord Dacres are called, one of the North, the other of the South.

P. 1. *Endd.:* "My lord Butler's suits." The extent of the lands of Combmartyn for my lord Butler."

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23 Oct. **965.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. The lord Powes, in his abode here and in the Walsherey within Powesland, has acted like a noble and a circumspect man. He has lost much by the subtracting of his liberties there. And though the King has partly recompensed him by the gift of certain monasteries, yet I beg your Lordship's favour for his further advancement. Shrowisbury, 23 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Bp. of Chester.

23 Oct. **966.** Wm. Abbot of York to Cromwell.

R. O. The stewardship of the monastery is in the King's hands, by the attainder of the late lord Darcy. A pretence was made that his son, Sir George, had another patent, but it cannot be found.

The convent beg Cromwell to ask the office of the King. Sends a patent and the half year's fee. York, 23 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Oct. **967.** Francis I. to [Henry VIII].

R. O. Has received, by the bp. of Winchester, Henry's letter of the 10th inst. and understood his credence with "the good and honest purposes he hath had with us and brought on your behalf." Thanks Henry for his love. Henry will learn his answer from the bp. and also from Castillon. Grenoble, 23 Oct. 1537.

Translation, p. 1. *Mutilated. On the back are memoranda of household expenses and wages in a seventeenth century hand.*

968. The Sieur de Castillon.

His instructions from Francis I. on going as ambassador to England.

Kaulek, 3. Castillon shall request the king of England to contribute to the aid by sea according to the treaty. Nevertheless, as he has written to the bp. of Tarbes, Francis is too much a friend to his good brother to press him on the subject but leaves it to his good will. As to the marriage of the duke of Orleans and the lady Mary, Castillon shall speak as he has been commanded.

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*** A note of this, among M. Baschet's transcripts from Paris (p. 233), is in the Record Office.

23 Oct. **969.** Bucer to Cranmer.

Original Letters (Parker Soc.) 520. Has read his letters, undated, but, as the bearer Thomas† informs him, written a year ago, with those Cranmer wrote to Capito and Grynæus. Cranmer's godly designs have prospered beyond expectation, assisted by the Latimers, the Foxes, and others. It is all but treason in us not to have aided you. Is ashamed of the way the letter of the Smalcaldic Council was sent to such a King. Commends Cranmer's charity in passing it over. As to his copious and unmethodical commentaries,‡ dedicated to Cranmer, thinks

† Perhaps Thomas Tybbold (or, as he writes his own name, Theabold) mentioned in Cranmer's letter of 22 July (No. 314).

‡ On the Epistle to the Romans, published at Strasburg, "mense Martio, anno MDXXXVI," (1536–7 ?) with a dedication to Cranmer.

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Cranmer's praise excessive—he had more need of his severity. Knows, however, that the Abp.'s engagements are all but killing him. Is well aware of the defects of the work, written in great disquiet. Thanks Cranmer for the plan he has laid down for these writings, which he will endeavour to follow in the remaining Epistles. Has had so many journeys since the first edition was published and been so vexed with a disease that has weakened his brain these two years past, that he has been unable to write upon the Apostle. Hopes this winter to return to the work, but has matters to do for the church at Augsburg.

Repeats his thanks for his present sent by Reyner;* also for the 30 cr. Thomas informs him that Cranmer has ordered to be given him. As to the letter of Grynæus, he is a theoretical, not a practical divine, and underrates difficulties. In Sept. last Capito, Grynæus, another native of Basle, and Bucer were at Berne to arrange a form of agreement about the Eucharist, when Grynæus accused the others of indolence in not uniting all Germany with them. He also supposes Cranmer to possess unbounded authority with the King.

Expresses great satisfaction at the progress of religion in England. Much yet remains to be desired, but the agreement of our churches is making fair progress. The adherents of duke William of Bavaria have collected much money, and engage infantry or cavalry; but if God be for us who can be against us? Strasburg, 23 Oct.

[24 Oct.] **970.** Earl of Rutland, Bishop of Carlisle, and Others to [Cromwell].

Nero C. x. 2. B. M. St. P. i. 572. Hearne's† Sylloge, 114.

Yesterday afternoon the Queen had "an naturall laxe," by reason of which she seemed to amend till toward night. All night she has been very sick, and rather "appares" than amends. Her confessor has been with her this morning, and is now preparing to minister the Sacrament of Unction. Hampton Court, Wednesday, 8 a.m.

Signed: Thomas Rutland—Robert Karliolen.—Edward Bayntun—John Chamber, priest—William Butt—George Owen.

[24 Oct.] **971.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

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"My good lord, I pray you to be here tomorrow early to comfort our good master, for as for our mistress there is no likelihood of her life, the more pity, and I fear she shall not be on lyve at the time ye shall read this. At viij at night, with the hand of [your] sorrowful friend, T. Norffolk."

Hol., mutilated.

972. Henry VIII. to Francis I.

Bibl. Nat. Paris, Fr. 2997, f. 3.

I have so cordially received the congratulations, which, by this bearer and by your letters, you have made me for the son which it has pleased God to give me, that I desire nothing more than an occasion by the success of your good desires to make the like. Notwithstanding, Divine Providence has mingled my joy with the bitterness of the death of her who brought me this happiness.

French, p 1. *From a modern transcript in R. O.*

* Reyner (or Reginald) Wolfe?

† Two of the signatures are quite mis-read by Hearne or the copy he followed.

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973. JEWELERY.

Royal MS. 7 C. xvi. 18—32. B. M.

"A book of the Quenes juelles."

I. A catalogue of beads, some marked in the margin as given to lady Bewham (*sic*), lady Duddeley, lady Weston, lady Page, lady Douglas, lady Norfolk, lady Calthrope, lady Lyell, lady Lyster, Mrs. Oxenbryg, lady Guldeford, lady Audeley, lady Mary.

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II. A catalogue of jewels, pomanders, and tablets; several given to lady Mary, lady Eliz, lady Lister, Mrs. Oxenbrygge, Mr. Knyffet, lady Rocheford, lady Russell, Mr. Longe, lady Marquis Dorset. A glass with the images of the King's father and others.

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III. A catalogue of girdles, some given to the lady of Sussex, lady Marquis of Exeter, lady Beawham, lady Mary, lady Brown, lady Rutland, Mrs. Pecsall, the lady of Bathe; to the lady of Surrey at the christening of her child.

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IV. A catalogue of "borders," enamelled with various colours, some given to lady Haworth, Mrs. Smith, lady Mary, Mrs. Zowche, lady Carowe, lady Montegle, lady Pallet, lady Powes, Mrs. Littyster, lady Bewham, and Mary Norres; and some marked in the margin "Raff Worsley charge."

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V. A catalogue of "brouches of gold," some given to Mr. Thomas Seamowre, Mr. Hennage, Guilliam the brotherer, Cutberd the King's poticarie, the lady Shelston, Palmer the lord Privy Seal's servant, Fras. Elmam, Eliz. Cavindishe, Dr. Benteley, Dr. Augustine, Mr. Russell, Mr. Browne, Mr. Carowe, lord Zouche, Mr. Pownes, Ant. Denny, lady Musgrave, Cruche, the lady Grey, Mrs. Eliz. Darsye, lady Elizabeth at New year's day.

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VI. A catalogue of bracelets, some given away to persons already named.

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VII. A catalogue of buttons of gold, mostly marked "Mr. Worsley charge."

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VIII. "Aggeletts," one parcel delivered to Mrs. Jastelens.

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IX. Chains, some given to lady Rutland, Mr. Brian, Mr. Thos. Seamowre, the bailiff of Ulne's wife, Hen. Seamowre.

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Endd.: A boke of the Quenes juelles.

974. QUEEN JANE SEYMOUR.

R. O.

Arrears of money owing from divers persons to the late Queen Jane upon determination of the accounts of her lands, ended at Michaelmas 29 Hen. VIII. The names of the debtors are Ric. Warren of Bekensfeld, Bucks., for money due to Henry Seymour receiver of Be[r]kehamstede and King's Langley, Herts, lord Vaux farmer of Berkhamstede, John Chaworth, Nic. Merkes of St. Albans, Thos. Parteridge of King's Langley, late collector of rents there, the earl of Hertford for rent of Londonwyke, late parcell of the monastery of Stanley, due to the King's manor of Marlborough, John

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Thoroughgood of Huchyn, Herts, Geo. Daniel of Clare, Suff., John Shelton farmer of Hadeleegh Rey, Essex, Wm. Brian, Edm. Robarte and Ric. Sale of Fernhame, Essex, husbandmen, Ric. Elkyn of Much Waltham, miller, John King of —— (*blank*), Kent, for wood sale made at Kingsdown, Hen. Criche late bailiff of Weston beside Baldock, Herts., and Lord William Howard. *Signed:* Thomas Crumwell.

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975. Queen Jane Seymour.

Royal MS. 7 F. xiv. 78. B. M.

A valor of the lands "which were lately pacell of queen Jane's jointure and dowry and now reserved unto the King's Highness' own hands;" the names and fees of the officers of each place being given.

Herts. Berkhampstead, h.,* and King's Langley, l.; John Verney, steward and keeper of parks, Hen. Seymor, receiver,† John Wheler porter of Berkhampstead Castle. Huchyn, l; Ralph Sadler, steward, Hen. Cryche, bailiff. Stonden, l; Ralph Sadler, steward, bailiff, &c. Ansty, l; Ralph Sadler, steward, James Knefton, bailiff. Weston beside Baldocke, m.; Edw. Fox, bailiff, John Kympton, clerk of the courts. *Bucks.* Whaddon, l.; Hen. Seymor, steward, Wm. Pygott, keeper of the chace, Sir Fras. Brian, keeper of the park. Langley Marrys, l.; Edw. Harmon, steward and keeper of the park. Wyrrardesbury, l.; Edw. Harmon, steward, Sir Walt. Stoner, farmer. *Berks.* Cookham, l., and Bray, l.; Sir Ric. Weston, steward, Wm. Tyllesley warrener and woodward. Liberties of Cookham and Bray, f.; John Madeson, bailiff. The Seven hundreds of Cookham and Bray, f.; the said John, farmer. Hempstede Marshall, l.; Ric. Bridges, steward, John Cheyney, keeper of the park and woodward, [Hen. Seymor, bailiff].‡ Benham Lovell, l.; Ric. Bridges, steward. Town of Newbury, John Cheyney, steward. *Hants.* Odyam, f.; —— (*blank*) Jenyns, farmer. *Surrey.* Banstede and Walton, f. (*no names*). *Linc.* Stamford, l.; Geoff. Vyllars, bailiff, Henry Lacy, clerk of the Courts. *Soms. and Dorset.* Forests of Exmoor, Rache and Mendip, f.; lord Russell. Correymalley, l.; Sir Ph. Champernon, farmer and keeper of the park. *Essex.* Havering at Bower, l.; Sir Brian Tuke, steward, Ric. Crumwell, keeper of park, &c., John Cely, "palystore of the parke," John Askewe, collector. *Kent.* Deptford Strand, f.; Sir Ric. Long, steward, Fras. Sidney, receiver. Tonge, l.; Chr. Roper, farmer. Kingsdown, f.; Wm. Wodde farmer. Erith, f.; countess of Shrewsbury, farmer. Swanscombe, l.; Fras. Sydney, bailiff, Edw. Weldon, farmer. Shillingyelde, f.; Robt. Hawkyns, farmer. Southfreth, m.; Thos. Culpeper, keeper of the chace and park.

The King's palace in Southwark with "Barysgardeyn"; Sir Ric. Long, officer.

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976. E. Duchess of Norfolk to Cromwell.

Titus B. I. (390.) B. M. Nott's Howard, App. No. 30.

My special good Lord, I thank you for your goodness to the brewer's wife and for the royal you gave her. Be good to this man Arnall in his old age for his past services to my lord my husband and my lord of Richmond. You have been so good to all my lord of Richmond's servants that I am the bolder to write for him. Now my lord my husband is come home I pray you be in hand with him for my better living, as he has all my jewels and apparel and had 2,000 mks. with me when he had little himself but his

* In this abstract the letter "h" stands for "honour," "l" for "lordship," "m" for "manor," and "f" for farm.

† Noted in another hand as now occupied by John Alwey.

‡ This added in another hand.

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976. E. Duchess of Norfolk to Cromwell—*cont.*

lands, "and he was always a great player." My lord my father assured me 500 mks. a year and my husband chose me; for my father "had bought my lord of Westmoreland for me; he and I had loved together ij year" and had not my lord my husband made suit for me immediately after his first wife died I had married my lord of Westmoreland before Xmas; and when he came there at Shrovetide he would have none of my sisters but only me. I have been his wife 25 years and borne him five children, and because I would not suffer the bawd and the harlots that bound me to be still in the house they pynnaculled me and sat on my breast till I spat blood, all for speaking against the woman in the Court, Besse Holond. It is four years come Tuesday in Passion week since he "came riding all night and locked me up in a chamber," took away my jewels and apparel, and left me but 50*l.* a quarter, that is 300 mks. a year, to keep 20 persons in a hard country. Please move the King not to grant my daughter of Richmond's jointure until he speaks for mine to my husband who dare not say him nay. Has had much sickness and cost in physic since the bawd and the drabs bound her. Would be glad to live quietly the rest of her life, for she is 40 years of age. I think the King had never a penny for my lord of Richmond, for queen Anne got the marriage for my lord my husband, and I heard her say "that if my lord of Richmond did die that my daughter should have" above 1,000*l.* a year jointure. Radburne, 24 Oct.

I thank you for my letter by this bearer. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

24 Oct. **977.** Sir J. Russell to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 573.

I have received your letter and shown it to the King, who caused Mr. Nevell to send for divers of the men, who shall be here to-morrow. Yesterday Mr. Treasurer and I examined one of Mr. Nevell's servants, who confessed to 20, not one of them in the bill the King had of you; so, by the time those you wrote of shall be taken, ye shall have a great number accused. Today the King intended to remove to Asher, and, because the Queen was very sick this night and today, he tarried, but he will be there tomorrow. "If she amend he will go and if she amend not he told me this day he could not find in his heart to tarry." She was in great danger yesternight and to day but, if she sleep this night, the physicians hope that she is past danger. Hampton Court, xxiiiiith (*sic*) day of October. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 24 October.

24 Oct. **978.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

R. O.

On Friday, 19 Oct., was in Tynedale, accompanied by the most of the gentlemen of Nthld., and entered the house of Edward Charlton, now the King's rebel, called Heslysyde, and put it in possession of William Charlton, who, my lord of Norfolk expected, would sow dissension between the kin and friends of the said William and Edward; but William declined to keep it. Is ordered by the lord President to take the said house by force as soon as moonlight will serve and put his own servants in it to keep it. Edward Charlton and most of the outlaws are in Liddersdale, sometimes with one friend and sometimes with another, and mean to do the most mischief they can. Will do his utmost to punish them. The inhabitants of Tynedale are in the same stay as at Norfolk's departure. York, 24 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

24 Oct. **979.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to the Duke of Norfolk.

R. O.

On the same subject. Refers further to bearer. Thinks the Charltons will not fall out willingly as Norfolk supposes. The outlaws are for the most

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part in Liddersdale, and Edward Charlton rode in lord Maxwell's company at the last meeting on the West Borders till he came within a mile of the place. York, 24 Oct.

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24 Oct. R. O. **980.** Dover Harbour.

Account of the receipt and expenditure of 350*l.* received from Robt. Lorde, 1 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII., by command of my lord Privy Seal, for payment of labourers on the works at Dover, for the 28th and 29th pay.

ii. Estimate for the 30th and 31st pay, ending 24 Oct. "last past." Total, 245*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*

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24 Oct. R. O. **981.** Oudart du Bies to Lord Lisle.

On receipt of his letters sent for Jacques Roche, and ordered him to send the process of Christopher Frel to the Great Council, and it has been delivered to the messenger of this town. Will always assist in doing justice to lord Lisle's people, as he supposes lord Lisle will to Frenchmen. Boulogne, 24 Oct. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Debitis de Calais.

25 Oct. R. O. **982.** John Thompson to Cromwell.

Requests that the material of the abbeys of Langdon and St. Radegund's may be stayed, for repairing of the castle of Dover, if that shall be the King's pleasure.

The labourers in the King's works are more than two months unpaid, so that they cannot be discharged without payment, and the King is not well served, as the lieutenant of the castle, the mayor and others shall testify.

Wrote that the labourers could not be paid of Mr. Davy, because Mr. Wingfield was absent in his country. Wingfield and Davy so rebuked the man who brought Thompson's letter to Cromwell, that no one now dare carry his letters.

Since Thompson was with Cromwell, Mr. Wyngfeld has written to Davy to remain at Dover, and he will beg the King for him to be paymaster; which is unseemly for the "manyfold alterations" in their books. Mr. Wyngfeld has reported that Davy advantaged Mr. Whalye, deceased, at sundry times, 500*l.*, 500 mks., and 100*l.* and more. Dover, 25 October. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Mr. of the Masondew.

25 Oct. R. O. **983.** John Wellysburn to Cromwell.

The abbot of Osney is in danger of death.* Reminds Cromwell of what he moved to him the day that the King left Grafton for Ampthill, that the King should give the abbot of Osney as much suppressed lands as the value of the lordship in which Wellysburn dwells, which is above 20*l.* If the abbot die, it would be a more ready way to speak to the new abbot to give Myxbury and Fulwell to the King, who can then reward Wellysburn with them. Trusts in the goodness of the King to all those who are daily waiting on him, of whom he has been one for many years. The King has given never so little to any man as to him, and amongst them there is no man more glad of a little than he. Trusts also in Cromwell's goodness to the King's servants, and in the effect of his request to the King. This is "lever" to him than thrice the value elsewhere. "Written with evil eyes by candle," 25 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* He died 22 Nov. 1537.

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25 Oct. **984.** Sir Henry Sayvylle to Cromwell.

R. O. Of the 100*l.* I owe your Lordship, I have sent by bearer 50*l.*, and after Christmas will bring the other 50*l.* I sent at Midsummer to the receiver of the Duchy for my fee, but could not get it, or I would have paid you then. My lord President was here, and certain harness was brought in by Sir John Nevyll of Chete and Tristram Teshe. Part of what Mr. Nevyll had was brought in after my lord President's departure, and was worse than the former, which was not good. I marvel the lord Darcy's harness should be in that case and occupied so late. In that and other things concerning my office I will be a suitor to your Lordship on coming to London. The King's Castle of Pomffracte, 25 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Oct. **985.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. On Tuesday last, 23 Oct., my lord of Worcester sent Richard Crofte, eldest son to Sir Edward Crofte, to Caersows, in Arustley, to keep the court that had been summoned both by the Earl and Lord Ferrers, for whom came thither Mr. Richard Devereux. As Crofte could not make good his party against the other, he departed, saying that next time he would otherwise prepare. I trust I may receive a remedy by the messenger, John Rosse. I sent a messenger to watch them; all obeyed the court except two persons of my lord of Worcester. I have received from my lord Chancellor three commissions for Sir Piers Dutton to be one of this Council, with a letter to give him the fee and diets which John Vernon had, which letter I send enclosed. I have answered his Lordship that I have no such authority and have written my cousin Doctor for this and other business, to whom I beg you give credence. No other news. "A little the thieves begin to steal, trusting of white books by the birth of the Prince," the gladdest tidings and the merriest people in these parts that ever was. Shrowisbury, 25 Oct. *Signed.*

After writing the above, I have received your letters by the messenger, John Rosse.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Oct. **986.** Bishop Roland Lee to Dr. Leghe.

R. O. I desire you to deliver this other letter to my lord Privy Seal, the copy whereof I send you together with the copy of my lord Chancellor's letters, advertising his Lordship that I will not keep this matter from him. I know not why Sir Piers Dutton labours for it. When the King deputes one in Mr. Englefild's room, the books for our diets, our warrants, and commissions must be altered. I would know his Lordship's pleasure therein. If you can get our diet money from Sir Brian Tuke, Brown, my servant, and the serjeant, now in London, can bring it hither; 30*l.* of it must abide at London for New Year's gifts. Move my lord that I may have the rents for this year till I be recompensed, and do your best to get Hanbury, which shall satisfy me. Cousin, I shall deserve your pains; ask Mr. Gybson if he has received 20*l.* for Roland, my nephew, by my servant Browne. *I have written to my said lord of the business of Arustley between the lords of Worcester and Ferris. Help me in my business. 25 October.

I hear that the bishop of Hereford shall have my office here. "God send it him, so I might be despatched [with] my prince's favour. Move my lord herein [that] I might provide for myself at home." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Sealed. Endd.:* Oct. Chester.

25 Oct. **987.** Sir John Dudley to Cromwell.

R. O. The 24th inst. I came to Paris, where I hear the French King is at Grenople preparing to pass the mountains; the Dolphyn is already passed.

* From here to the end is in the Bishop's own hand.

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The duke of Orleans comes to-night to Paris with Mons. de Guyse and Mons. de Humyerys and thence to Picardy to keep the frontiers. Fifteen priests came to Amiens on the 23rd, the saying is, to pay money to the King. In Picardy they expect war, in Paris they talk of a peace to be concluded shortly between the Emperor and the French King. On coming to Boleyn I chanced to find the Bretons that I took upon the sea, who tried to impeach (hinder) me for the things my mariners took from them; whereupon the captain (of Boulogne) came out of the castle "and beat them with his sword that it would have pitied a man to have seen it, and caused them to be put into a dungeon within the castle," although they had only come wandering about me, asking for some compensation.

My treatment by Mons. de Byse for the King's sake, deserves thanks, and I beg you remember it to the Ambassador. Paris, 25 Oct. *Signed.*

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, London. *Endd.:* Mr. Dudley.

26 Oct. **988.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

R. O. We have here heavy tidings. The bruit was that the Queen died on Tuesday, but she was alive late on Wednesday night, "and if good prayers can save her, she is not like to die, for never lady was so much plained with every man, rich and poor." The King will be at York Place on Tuesday night. There is no time to sue, or the money would have been paid two days ago. I beg you to remember your promise for Thos. Appowell. I am sure you have a sufficient warrant both from the King and my lord Admiral, and also from my lord Privy Seal, by three of his letters. I trust Mr. Surveyor will not be against it so that he will have the next, for I spoke with him here in London. I will see you discharged when you admit him, or else count me the falsest man that ever was born. London, 26 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

26 Oct. **989.** G. Earl of Shrewsbury to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs Cromwell's intercession for his daughter, the widow of the late earl of Northumberland, who is entitled to the third part of his lands, that she may have licence to sue for her dower. Is troubled with his old diseases and cannot make pursuit for her himself. Hansworth, 26 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Oct. **990.** The West Marches.

Calig. B. III. 86. B. M. "The copy of a proclamation made for the West Marches of England and Scotland, and proclaimed at Gretno church the 26th Oct.," pursuant to an arrangement made by Robert lord Maxwell, warden of the West March of Scotland and Sir Thos. Wharton, kt., deputy warden of the West March of England, at a meeting on the 16th of this instant October 1537 according to an agreement dated 27 Sept., for redress of grievances. On that day deliverance was made on either side for all attempts since Sir Thomas Wharton was made deputy warden, and next day the wardens met at Rocleff; after which the "syssers" continued their sittings daily in England and Scotland till 25th Oct., when 142 bills for English subjects and 186 for Scotch subjects were made foul or clean, and it was agreed to meet at Cressopefut on Friday, 23 Nov., for "attemptates" committed since the 2 July 1533. The Scots are to give their bills in at Carlisle to John Thomson, customer, the English at the "Armetage in Ledesdall." The wardens will meet at Lochmabenstone on Monday come 5 weeks, 27 Nov.,* for due execution of this proclamation.

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* Monday, 26th November (not 27th) must have been intended. The five weeks must have been reckoned from Monday 23 Oct.

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27 Oct. **991.** CROMWELL to [THE IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

R. O. The King has made lord James Butler constable of his castles of Catherlaghe and Kylka and wills you to assign him a convenient pension and suitable retinue. Desires favour for Ossory and lord Butler. The Neate beside Westminster, 27 Oct.

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27 Oct. **992.** SIR JOHN FITZJAMES to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his letter in answer to his excuse for not keeping the assizes in Devon and Cornwall. They die fast of the great sickness between London and his poor house, so that no man can ride that way without great danger unless he ride 26 miles without baiting, which FitzJames cannot do. As there is no great business, asks Cromwell to obtain for him licence to tarry at home for this term. Horsynton, 27 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* The Lord Chief Justice.

27 Oct. **993.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your command, I have sent your letters to the lords of Worcester and Ferrers, and shall prepare for them at the day appointed with so many of the commissioners as I can get to assist me. Lately I wrote to your Lordship by my cousin Doctor, and gave him letters of credence for the "commissions to be new made for Mr. Sylzard the book of his admission for his diet. God send him well to do!" Concerning Sir Piers Dutton's admission, has exhibited his commissions and a letter from my lord Chancellor to have commons and fee, which I cannot give without warrant. For the appropriation of Hanbery parsonage *sedi episcopali* in recompense of my house and rents there; I beg I may have the rents for this year. "Of the good behaviour of the countries of Arustle and Kavelioke, and of the courting there at this time, these matters be therein." 27 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Oct. **994.** WM. LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL.

R. O. This Sunday, 28 Oct., I received a letter from my friend John Norris, gentleman-usher, with most sorrowful and heavy news of the departure of the Queen's Grace, whose place of interment is not yet decided. Let me know if I shall repair to Court. I was present at Asher in a chamber with one sick, and therefore avoided the King's presence.

Norris tells me I must be contented to wait awhile. Let me know when I shall give my attendance. The Vine, 28 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

28 Oct. **995.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. This Council directed the King's letters to Walter Herbert, deputy-steward to the earl of Worcester, to bring up a strong thief called Hugh Lewes, sister's son to Edward Lewes, a great officer in the Earl's service. The said Walter answered that we should write to the Earl, being the head officer. We then directed the King's letters to both, and the felon was sent up, the said Walter sending the enclosed letter showing that the delay was due to the Earl's command. Between the said Earl and Mr. Deveroux is like to be new business concerning the appointing of officers in Arustley and Kevylyok. On the 4th November the parties will take an end before us. Shrowisbury, 28 October. *Signed.*

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28 Oct. **996.** Bishop Roland Lee to Dr. Belyses.

R. O. Move my good lord, and yours, that, if the sheriff of Worcestershire be removed this year, Mr. Pakyngton* may have that room for the advantage of this Council. I have written to the justices to name him as one. Screysbury, 28 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

28 Oct. **997.** Rich. Hassall to Cromwell.

R. O. At the coming down of the lady Mary into these Marches of Wales, I was appointed, by the King, solicitor to her Grace, and have remained in the said office with the King's Commissioners here. Now that God has sent us a prince I beg you will have me in remembrance when the King appoints his officers here. Shrewsbury, 28 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

28 Oct. **998.** Sir Richard Bulkeley to Cromwell.

R. O. My cousin Doctor Arthur Bulkeley, of the number of the Arches, has been chaplain to the duke of Suffolk this seven years. He now desires "to appertain to your Lordship, to do you service at his Grace's request." And as Mr. Bedell who was of your spiritual council is now dead, he would be the rather glad to do you service because of his former acquaintance with your goodness. I pray that at my request he may be the more acceptable. Bewmares, 28 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, Sir Thomas Cromwell, Knight of the Garter. *Endd.*

29 Oct. **999.** John Lord Scrope to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs he may have Cromwell's favour in certain causes which he desired Serjeant Hynde, when last in the country, to break to Cromwell. Bolton, 29 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Lord Scrope of Bolton.

29 Oct. **1000.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O. Where I am urged to write of the good service done to the King by the bearer John Bayrnffelde, late servant to the bp. of Kerlesle "that dead is"; the truth is, he was mayor of Kerlesle this troublous year past and the services of him and the town are well known to you. He cannot enjoy the said bishop's gifts to him without your favour. He has served the King truly, and is a man of honest conversation. Kerlesle, 29 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Oct. **1001.** The General Council.

Laemmer, Mon. Vat., 190. Extract from a letter of the bp. of Modena, nuncio at Vienna, dated 30 Oct. 1537.

The delay of the Council, though justified, does not give satisfaction; and it is doubtful if the prelates of Germany will come on the 1st May, as they wish to have a provincial council and agree among themselves without the Pope. The Emperor's agents say wickedly that the Pope is the cause of all these wars and evils, even in the matter of Faith, and of the Council not having been held. The king of England's invective against the Council is everywhere read, and read again, and greatly alienates every one from the Pope. It has been printed again in Germany.

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* John Pakington, who was actually made sheriff of Worcestershire in 1540.

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31 Oct. **1002.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I send you a commission containing more articles than were in the other, although, touching the Mayne broke, his Grace and his Council will not consent that it should be let to farm, but that it should remain as it has been accustomed time out of mind. It has cost me much labour before I could bring it to pass, both with the King and all his Council. I told the King before all the Council that rather than consent to its being let to farm I wished his Grace would banish me his realm for ever, so it might be declared that I had not offended him or his laws. As for your other commission that Marche did bring, you may counsel him at your pleasure, and bind me by this bill to be your discharge. Commend me to my lady. "And as for to seyt you mo days to come home, I woll not," for I think it will be Easter before I come, but I will make an end if I should stay till Midsummer. I pray you be good lord to Thos. Appowell. London, Hallowmas even.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

1003. Sir Thomas Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Is glad to hear Cromwell will continue his good lord, for at Calais it is reported otherwise, "yn so meche that Marche (?) not beyng no honest man nor neyvyr was, hathe gevyn commandment to hym that ys my tenante that he chall not pay me my rente." Is at Cromwell's command to the last drop of his blood. Has much need to be despatched if he should continue in his room; "for wheyr I was por when I came over I am now worse than pore."

Begs Cromwell's favour to this young child. His father is a worshipful man and offers to serve Cromwell with 100 horse.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[— Oct.] **1004.** [Cromwell] to Lord William Howard and Gardiner.

R. O. They are to announce to Francis that though the Prince is well and
St. P. VIII. 1. "sucketh like a child of his puissance," the Queen, by the neglect of those about her who suffered her to take cold and eat such things as her fantasy in sickness called for, is dead. The King, though he takes this chance reasonably, is little disposed to marry again, but some of his Council have thought it meet for us to urge him to it for the sake of his realm, and he has "framed his mind, both to be indifferent to the thing and to the election of any person from any part that with deliberation shall be thought meet." Two persons in France might be thought on, viz., the French king's daughter (said to be not the meetest) and Madame de Longueville, of whose qualities you are to inquire, and also on what terms the King of Scots stands with either of them. Lord William must not return without ascertaining this, but the inquiry must be kept secret.

Winchester's letters, by his servant Massye, to the King and [Cromwell] arrived last night. His Grace thanks him for his vigilance in investigating the news, especially the terms on which the Emperor and the French king stand as to the peace, and also for his gift of Asher, "albeit the same be given with *Nichil agis dolor*," for the assurance of which he will shortly send a deed for the bp. to sign. Gardiner, however, wrongs both the writer and others in that matter imputing forgetfulness to them. "I am sorry, my lord, to see you so contentious and to have so little care of your friends. Of what sort I have been towards you I do refer myself to the King's Majesty and to sundry others of his Council that hath known the proceedings here. And yet, to be plain with you, when I wrote that the King's Majesty took pleasure in your house and would make a chace about it which should make it no house for your store, methought it required at least such an answer as might have declared that you had been glad of it; in which case

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you should not have needed to have called to remembrance the lesson of Possidon*, *Nichil agis dolor*, for that hath place where there is a grief."

Answers a complaint of Gardiner's touching Cromwell's non-fulfilment of promises about a horse and other matters. The King wishes Gardiner to treat the abbot of Arbroath in friendly wise, his master being the King's nephew. As for the instructions he desires, the King cannot determine till he knows the covenants; which he must endeavour to discover, meanwhile sticking on the point of his promise to join his Majesty with him as a principal ontrahent.

Will with speed cause money to be delivered to his servant Peter Larke. The rest of his suits the King will answer in his next letters.

In Wriothesley's hand.

R. O. 2. Copy of the first part of the preceding.

Pp. 2. *Erroneously endorsed by Cecil as a letter from Secretary Wriothesley.*

1005. Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. "My Lord, I require you to be good lord to John Horsley, to be shryff of Northumberland, according as I spoke to you this day. Yours assuredly, T. Norffolk."

Hol. Add.: my lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

1006. J. Chaderton to the Earl of Southampton.

R. O. This afternoon, with Thos. Hancokkes, boarded the Frenchman who took the "Aragosey," and required them not to carry her away till his Lordship was advertised thereof, as they had taken her at this town aground and there were Englishmen's goods in her, telling them that doubtless the King and the Earl would be contented that they should have what by reason they ought to have. They answered that as soon as the wind served they would bring her to Newhaven or Brest; that there was a law in France as well as in England, and if they had done wrong, remedy could be had there. There were little goods in her. Four Frenchmen were slain by her ordnance. She is not yet past St. Elyns. Portsmouth, Monday afternoon.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* High Admiral of England.

1007. Robert Warmyngton to Wriothesley.

R. O. The bearer, servant of the prior of Tynemouth, lately delivered, to my lord, letters from his master, that my lord President of the North might take into his hands the dispute between Chr. Metford of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and the prior. The writer also lately delivered letters to my lord (copy enclosed) for another purpose. Desires an answer, and that these poor men, the prior's servants, who brought, and delivered to Mr. Lorde, 200 marks for part of the first fruits of Tynemouth may be despatched. Desires the enclosure returned.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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1. The Cistercian Abbey of St. Mary, Hulton, *alias* Hilton, Staff., Cov. and Lich. dioc. Exemption from suppression. Edw. Wilkyns to be abbot. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 10.

2. The priory of St. Mary, Swinhey ("de Swyna"), Yorks., of the order of St. Bernard. Exemption from suppression. Helen Deyn to be prioress. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 9.

* Posidonius. *See* Cicero, Tusc. Quæst.

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3. Thos. Crumwell, K.G., lord Crumwell, the King's chief secretary, and keeper of the Privy Seal. Grant in fee of the house and site of the suppressed priory of Michilham, Sussex; the church, &c.; a water-mill near the same; the lordships and manors of Michelham, Sharnefold, Downeaysshe, Haylisham, Helyngly, Otham, Willyngdowne, Janynge, Arlyngton, Westham, Isenherst, Cowden, Sutton, Seeford, and Chyntynge, Sussex, belonging to the said late priory; the rectories of the churches of Langton, Alfriston, and Fletchyng, Sussex, and the advowsons of the parish churches and vicarages thereof; a pasture called "le Marles," another pasture called Gordhoppe; the lands called Bramley, Gawyngrove, and Knothatch, a grove of wood containing 30 acres, the lands called Bakehouse Feld and Hogbroke, a pasture called "Holsham lond," a marsh called Laneys mershe, a meadow called Home mershe, a piece of land called Longsawts, and another near the lands of Hen. Sawte, pieces of land called Pitfield and Marlyngs, a pasture called Wideland, pieces of land called "Chesehouse mershe," "Fourtene acres,"* Warwysshe, "Olde Courte," "le Whysshe," "Bulloks felde," "Cowelees," Pekkesfeld, and Fellonds, and the land called Olde Parke; all which lie in Mychelham, Arlington, Haylesham, Westham, Sutton, and Seeford, Sussex, and belonged to the said late priory. Also all lands, &c., called Bere, Harmanshaye, Reners, Maunsellys, Shaldemarshe, Frothermarshe, Brodemershe, Dobbismarshe, Losemarshe, Hurstbrige, Crokerne, and Sebrands in Haylesham and Helyngly, Sussex; the two parcels of land called Kilbroke and Tanners in Arlyngton; all lands and tenements called Skyers in Arlyngton, and a croft of land there called Tanners, lying at Blake lane; all messuages, lands, &c., called Byrche in Arlyngton; a parcel of land called Sharnefold in Westham, Sussex; two parcels of land there in Sharnefold and Dutton; and all messuages, lands, &c., called Lane Lease, Pikfeld, and Panne in Westham; all messuages, lands, &c. called Ditton in Westham, in the tenure of Edw. Michilgrove and Rob. Gildredge; all messuages, &c. called Bolteacre in Westham. and Michilham in Willyngdone, Sussex; the water-mill in Mafeld; all lands and tenements called Holewyche in Hartefeld, Sussex; all messuages, &c., called Broughton in Yevington, Sussex; all messuages, &c. called Highwallons, Kell, and Knokhatch in Arlyngton and Haylisham, and a tile-covered house there; and all other manors, &c. in the vills, &c. of Michelham, Langton, Alfriston, Fletchyng, Arlyngton, Haylisham, Westham, Sutton, Seeford, Sharnefold, Downeaysshe, Helynglye, Otham, Willyngdon, Janyng, Pemsey, Isenherst, Mafeld, Hartfeld, Cowden, Brighthelmyston, Chyntyng, Yevington, and Estbourne, Sussex, and elsewhere, belonging to the said late priory; in as full manner as Thos. Holbeme, the late prior, held the same. Annual value, 171*l.* 4*s.* 4½*d.*; rent, 7*l.* 4*s.* 4½*d.* *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 23.

4. Will. Whorwood, the Solicitor-General, and Margaret his wife. Grant in fee of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following leases, viz.:—

(1.) Pat. 4 June 15 Hen. VIII. to Sir Edw. Sutton de Dudeley, late lord Dudeley, of the lordships and manors of Stourton and Kynvere, Staff., for 21 years, at 20*l.* rent, and (2) pat. 28 May 20 Hen. VIII. to Humph. Bowland, gentleman of the Exchequer, of the same, for 21 years from Mich. A.D. 1543, on the expiration of the preceding at 20*l.* rent and 40*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

5. Thos. Pope and Margaret his wife. Grant in fee of the manor and farm of Thrope Underwood, *alias* Thrope Billet, *alias* Thorpe Billet, Ntht., lands there and in Edon, *alias* Eydon, *alias* Aydon, Northt., and Long Compton, *alias* Magna Compton, Warw., the manor or farm of Syston, Linc., lands in Syston, and in Milton, Netherworton, Bambury, Nethrop, and Broughton, Oxon, the advowsons of the churches and vicarages of Wroxton and Balscott, Oxon, and Siston, Linc., with all glebe lands, &c., and all other possessions of the suppressed priory of Wroxton, Oxon. Also the grange and farm of Parva Chesterton, Oxon., belonging to the suppressed abbey of Rewley, *alias* Roialleu, Oxon; and all lands in Parva Chesterton and Wendelbury, Oxon, which belonged to that abbey. With views of frankpledge and other liberties. Annual value, 52*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*; rent, 5*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII. — S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 24.

6. *Warwickshire.*—Edw. Conway, John Fulwood, and Ric. Howse. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Will. Wood. Westm., 1 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII., p.* 3, *m.* 38*d.*

7. Thos. Thirlebye, clk., the King's chaplain. Grant of the canonry and prebend in the collegiate church of St. Stephen, in the palace of Westminster, void by the death of John Underhyll. Hampton Court, 29 Sept., 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 2 Oct. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 16.

8. Hen. Morgan, LL.D., the King's chaplain. Presentation to the parish church of Mells, Bath and Wells dioc. *Del.* Terling, 4 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 23.

9. Geo. earl of Shrewsbury and Waterford (whose possessions in Ireland were granted to the King by a statute in the

* Specified as containing 21 acres.

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Parliament holden at Dublin 28 Hen. VIII.) Grant in fee of the site, &c. of the late abbey of Rufford, Notts; all messuages, houses, &c., in the said site and adjoining thereto; the lordships, manors, &c., of Rufford, Ekerynge, Bildisthorpe, Worsop, Walesby, Allerton, Wellugh, Notingham, Almeton, Kirsale, Mapulbek, Besthorp, Boughton, Kelkham, Codyngton, Parkelathes, Kirketon, Sterthorpe, Estretford, Holme, Foxholes, Littilborugh, Rohagh, Southwell, and Morton, Notts; and the lordship of Rotheram, with all messuages, &c., in Rotheram, Thurleston, Charlecotes, and Wynleden, Yorks., belonging to the said lordship, &c.; with the rectory and patronage of the vicarage of Rotherham, and all lands and tenements in Brampton, Birchefeld, Abney, Chesterfeld, Shirbroke, and Glossopdale, Derby, with the rectory and advowson of the vicarage of Glossopdale, which belonged to the suppressed abbey of Basywarke, Flintsh., and all other messuages, lands, &c., belonging to the said lordship of Glossopdale, whereof Nicholas late abbot of Basywarke was seized in right of his monastery; also all messuages, lands, &c., in Albourne and Dudmandale *alias* Barton, Linc., belonging to the said late abbey of Rufford; and all granges, messuages, &c., in the vills, fields, &c., of Rufford, Ekeringe, Bildisthorpe, Worsop, Walesby, Allerton, Wellugh, Notingham, Almeton, Kirsale, Mapulbek, Besthorp, Boughton, Kelkeham, Codyngton, Parkelathes, Kirketon, Sterthorpe, Estretford, Holm, Foxholes, Litilborugh, Rohagh, Southwell, Morton, Rotheram, Thurleston, Charlecotes, Wynleden, Brampton, Birchefeld, Abney, Chesterfeld, Shirbroke, Albourne, and Dudmandale *alias* Barton aforesaid, whereof Thos. Dancaster, late abbot of Rufford, was seized in right of his monastery. Annual value of 246*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.*; rent, 46*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.*

A 21 years' lease granted under the Great Seal of the Court of Augmentation 20 Mar. 28 Hen. VIII., to Sir John Markham, of the house and site of the said late abbey of Rufford and certain meadows and pastures thereto belonging, is cited at the beginning of this entry. *Del.* Westm., 6 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

10. Sir Francis Bryan. Grant in fee (for 790*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*) of the reversion and rent reserved upon a lease granted to him by the Court of Augmentation 20 June 29 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed priory Canons Aysheby, Northt., and a windmill within the said site; and all lands, meadows, and pastures thereto belonging, viz., pastures called "le Hegge," Sego, Suttons Close, "le Newfeld," "le Wyndmyll Feld," Watermyll Feld, "le Grasse Close," "le Owe Close," "le Cundite Close," "le Typpele," "le Thorne Close," and "Cowe pasture;" fields called Estfeld and "le Northfeld" *alias* "le Prestonfeld"; two little closes of land on the east side of "le wold"; a field called "le Westfeld" *alias* "Aydon Feld." with fisheries, &c.; with reservations; for 21 years, at 31*l.* 9*s.* 7*d.* rent.

Also grant of the church, belfry, and churchyard of the said late priory; and all groves and woods on the premises; and all messuages, &c., now in the tenures or occupations of Ric. Wilmer, Thos. Bull, Rob. Wilkyns, John Thornton, Will. Harvey, Agnes Becham, Hen. Wardys, Will. Bull, Will. Harvy, and John Gritton, belonging to the said late priory; with all rights as enjoyed by Ric. Collis, late prior of Canons Aysheby. Annual value, 40*l.* 4*s.* ¼*d.*; rent, 4*l.* 8*s.* *Del.* Westm., 7 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

11. Sir Thos. Wylloughby. Appointment as one of the justices of the Common Pleas. Westm., 9 Oct.—*Pat.*, 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

12. Commission of Gaol Delivery.

Norwich Gaol.—Sir Roger Townesend, Sir Will. Paston, Rob. Holdyche, Roger Woodhouse, John Robsard, Will. Yelverton, sen., Will. Yelverton, jun., John Wotton, and Edm. Grey. Westm., 9 Oct.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

13. Sir Edw. Seymour, viscount Beauchamp. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Sir John Seymour, deceased, and grandson and heir of John Seymour; and reversions on the deaths of Eliz. Seymour, widow of the said John and Margery Seymour, widow of the said Sir John, and mother of the said Sir Edward. Westm., 10 Oct. — *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p*, 3, *m.* 6.

14. Reginald Scott. Livery of lands as brother and nearest heir male of Will. Scott, deceased, of the body of one Sir John Scott, likewise deceased, viz., of all the possessions of the said William in England, Wales, Calais, and Ireland (except the reversion of the manor of Brabourne, Kent, and of the possessions which Anne Scott, widow of the said William, holds for life as jointure); with profits since 5 June 28 Hen. VIII. Hampton Court, 15 June 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 5.

15. Thos. Aleyn or Alleyn. Licence to ask benevolence of all men to enable him to pay his creditors. Hampton Court, 11 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Oct.—P.S.

16. Edw. Mountagu. Appointment as one of the King's serjeants-at-law. *Del.* Westm., 16 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

17. Will. Buckenham, clk. Licence to alienate a messuage in Haddenham on the Hill, in the Isle of Ely, Camb., called Madingleis, with a close thereto adjoining, and two tofts called Chevyns and Codwyns, and certain land, &c. in Haddenham on the Hill, Sutton, Wyntworth, Wilberton, Stretham, and Wichford, in the Isle of Ely, and another messuage called Partriks and certain

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land, &c, in Hill, in the parish of Haddenham; certain land, &c., and a close which were formerly Stephyns, and a fishery of a weir called Osdelfwere *alias* Burneswere at Willyngham Meremouth; a tenement or messuage in Cambridge, in the parish of St. Edward *in Foro Pisarum;* which are of the annual value of 7 marks, as appears by inquisition taken before Thos. Rudston, escheator: to the master or wardens and fellows or scholars of the college or hall of St. Mary, commonly called Gunvylhall, Cambridge. This licence is granted in pursuance of pat. 15 Nov. 17 Edw. IV., granting the said college a mortmain licence to the annual value of 20*l.* Westm. 16 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 4.

18. Commission of Gaol Delivery.

Gloucester Castle: Sir John Bridges, Sir Nich. Poynts, Sir Walter Denys, Sir Edm. Tame, John Arnold, Ric. Rede, Rob. Whytney, David Broke, Rob. Wye, Ric. Cotton, Thos. Lane, and James Clyfford. Westm. 16 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

19. Sir Will. FitzWilliam, K.G., Great Admiral of England. Grant in tail male, of the reversions of the lands specified in the following leases, and the rents reserved thereon, viz.:—

(1.) By pat. 17 Mar. 10 Hen. VIII. to Miles Brikehed, of a water-mill in the lordship of Thorpe and Achurche, Northt., meadows and pastures in a great close called Conygarth there, and closes called Littel Conygarth and Litelholme, "le Parke" (in the castle there, in which ash and fruit trees grow), Willougholt and Chekergarden in the said lordship; parcel of the lands of the late countess of Richmond; for 21 years, at 6*l.* 10*s.* rent and 10*s.* increase. (2.) By pat. 21 Oct. 12 Hen. VIII. to Thos. Rouse, of the site and demesnes, &c. of the manor of Oveston, parcel of Richmond lands, Northt., and warrens thereto belonging, the agistment of Oveston Park, and the underwoods of certain acres of meadow [and] wood in Sywell Wood, near the lands of Sir Thos. Grene; for 21 years, at 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the site, demesne, lands, &c., agistment and underwoods, and 10*s.* for warren, with reservations. (3.) By pat. 8 May 29 Hen. VIII. to Ric. Cotton, of the site of the manor Bedhampton, Hants, the herbage and pannage of Bedhampton Park, two corn-mills under one roof and a moor there called Mille more; for 21 years, at rents of 11*l.* for the site, 53*s.* 4*d.* for the herbage and pannage, 4*l.* for the mill and moor, 26*s.* 8*d.* of increase and 6*s.* 8*d.* of new increase.

Also grant of the manors of Toryton, Bovy Tracy, and Fremyngton, and the hundred of Fremyngton, Devon; the manor of Camell Reginæ (Queen's Camell) Somers.; the manors of Oveston, Torpell, Thorp and Achurche, Northt., and all messuages, lands, &c., in the vills, fields, &c., of Toryton, Bovytracy, Fremyngton, Camell Reginæ, Oveston, Torpell, Thorp, and Achurche and elsewhere belonging to the said manors; also the manor of Bedhampton, to be held during the life of Ric. Cotton at the annual rent of a red rose, and after his decease at the annual rent of 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Also the house and site of the late priory of Shelbrede *alias* Shuldebrede, Sussex, the church, belfry, and churchyard of the said priory, a field called "le Westfeld," a meadow called "Beriesmede," a small croft of land adjoining the said meadow, a piece of land called Newland, a field of pasture called William at Redes, a piece of land and wood called Okeredes, a piece of land and wood called Crokener, and a moor, a piece of wood, land, and marsh called Lyvemershe, a croft of land called "le Condyt Crofte," a piece of land called Grenehills, a piece of land called Welchys, and the lands called Rodelond, Bushoppys Hurst, Courtlond, and Condit medowe; all which lie in Shuldebrede *alias* Shelbrede and Wellynchermere, Sussex, and belonged to the same priory. Also the rectory of Lavant and advowson of the vicarage thereof, and the chapel of Lynchemere belonging to the same late priory; and all manors, messuages, &c. in the vills, fields, &c. of Shelbrede *alias* Shuldebrede, Wellynchermere, Yapton, Rustyngton, Chechester, Midhurst, Petworth, Lavant, Parham, Bramshot, Glunde, Lewes, Hasilmere, Lurgasall, Lowdell, Almodyngton in le Manwoode, Fernehurst, Tullyngton, and Lyncher, Sussex, which belonged to the same priory, or which Geo. Walden, the late prior, held in right of the same on the 4 Feb. 27 Hen. VIII., &c. Also the house and site of the late abbey of Durford, Sussex; the church, belfry, and churchyard of the same; the manors of Hartynge and Rogate, Sussex, and the rectory of Rogate with the advowson of the vicarage thereof; the manors of Beriton, Hants, and Chilston, Kent, which belonged to the said late abbey; and all manors, messuages, &c. in the vills, &c. of Durford, Rogate, Hartyng, Stedham, Tillyton, Lurgasale, Tratton, Fernehurst, Ipyng, Heyshott, Holney, Brambrough, Bright Hempston, Westichenor, Westdene, Yapton, and Tangmere, Sussex, and in Beriton, Petersfeld, the soc of Winchester, Langrige and Lisse, Hants, Shalbourne, Berks, Arlyngton *alias* Ablyngton and Mayden Wynterborn *alias* Cheriton, Wilts, Chilston, Kent, and Compton, Surrey, belonging to the said late abbey. Also the rectories of the parish churches of Hampton and Walberton and Barneham, Sussex, belonging to the late priory of Boxgrave, Sussex, and the advowsons of the vicarages, with all glebe lands, &c. belonging thereto; all messuages, lands, &c. called Longmarshe in Pagham, Sussex; all messuages, &c. in the vills, &c. of Marewe near Guildford, Surrey; Drayton, Pagham, Hampton and

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Walberton, Yapton, Ovyng and Barneham, Sussex; and all messuages, &c. in Mondon *alias* Mondeham and Hunston, Sussex, belonging to the said late priory; all which Thos. Myles, the late prior, held in right of the same priory on the 4 Feb. 27 Hen. VIII. The premises belonging to the aforesaid late monasteries are valued at 264*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.* a year, to be held at the annual rent of 28*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.* *Del.* Westm. 17 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

20. Sir Ralph Waren, citizen and alderman of London. Commission as justiciar for the merchants of Germany, viz., those having the house in London called "Gwildehalda Theutonicorum," according to their privileges. Westm., 17 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 24*d.*

21. Sir Will. FitzWilliam, K.G., Great Admiral of England. Charter creating him earl of Southampton, with succession in tail male; and 20*l.* a year, in support of the title, out of the issues of the port of Southampton. *Del.* Hampton Court, 18 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat., p.* 1, *m.* 20.

22. Sir Edw. Sainctmaur, Viscount Beauchamp. Patent, granting him the title of earl of Hertford, with succession in tail male of himself and of —— (*blank*) his present wife, or any future wife; with 20*l.* a year, in support of the title, out of the customs and subsidies of the port of Southampton. *Del.* Hampton Court, 18 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

23. Egyptians. — Commission to all justices, mayors, sheriffs, &c. to apprehend certain "Egipciens" for having robbed one Martyne Femyne, the King's servant (who, with his wife and servants were wounded and their lives endangered by the said Egyptians, whose names are contained in letters in the possession of the said Martyne), to commit the said Egyptians to prison until they make full restitution to the said Martyne of his goods or the value thereof, and afterwards to compel them to depart out of the realm. *Del.* Westm., 18 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

24. Will. Bonde, yeoman of the Guard. To have the corrody in the monastery of Serne, Dorset., void by the death of Ric. Marcer. T. 18 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

25. Sir Thos. Audeley and Christina his wife. Release of the annual farm or rent of 4 marks issuing from the hundred of Lexden, Essex, which hundred formerly belonged to Sir Rob. Payton, and now to the said Sir Thomas and Christina. Also grant to the same of the sheriff's turn in the said hundred which is held twice a year; with strays, waifs, and other liberties in the same hundred. *Del.* Westm., 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat., p.* 5, *m.* 41.

26. Geo. earl of Huntington and Anne his wife, and Francis lord Hastynges s. and h. apparent of the said earl and Katharine his wife. Licence to alienate the manors, and advowsons of the churches of Stanlake, and Broughton, Oxon, to Thomas lord Crumwell. Westm., 20 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 7;—also *p.* 1, *m.* 24 (cancelled because elsewhere).

27. Sir Arthur Darcy and Will. Maunsfelde, a gentleman-usher of the Chamber. Grant in survivorship of the office of steward of Galtres forest and of the lawn in the said forest; and master of the hunt of deer there; and of all lawns therein; with herbage and pannage, windfalls, &c.; with the usual fees, as enjoyed by the said Sir Arthur, Anth. Ughtred, deceased, or Hen. Marney, deceased; on surrender of patent, 20 Dec. 26 Hen. VIII., granting the same to the said Sir Arthur alone. Hampton Court, 6 Oct., 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 29.
*** This patent was surrendered by Sir Arthur Darcy on the 16 May, 34 Hen. VIII., as appears by a note on the privy seal.

28. Thos. Cliff. To be keeper of the King's wardrobe in Nottingham Castle *vice* Laurence Holand, deceased; with fees payable out of the issues of Nottingham Castle and the mills and meadows thereto adjoining. *Del.* Westm., 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

29. John Gwynneth, clk. Presentation to the provostship or parish church of Clenokvawre with the chapels and church of Llangeinwenn and Llangaffo thereto annexed, Bangor dioc., *vice* Will Glynne, clk., deceased. *Del.* Westm., 22 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. —S. B. *Pat., p.* 5, *m.* 29.

30. Commissions to make inquisitions *p.m.*, viz.:—

Yorkshire: To John Barton, Thos. Wentworth, Edw. Barston, and John Bradford, on the lands and heir of John Stillyngton, deceased.

Yorkshire: To the same, on the lands and heir of Thos. Baker.

Yorkshire: To the same, on the lands and heir of Ric. Langley.

Yorkshire: To the same, on the lands and heir of Rob. Saunton.

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31. Commission of the Peace.

Middlesex: T. abp. of Canterbury, Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Thos. earl of Rutland, Will. earl of Southampton, Will. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, Andrew lord Wyndesore, Chr. Hales, M.R., Sir John Spelman, John Baker, Attorney General, Sir John Daunce, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir Brian Tuke, Sir John Aleyn, John Hales, Humph. Broun, serjeant-at-law, Sir Roger Cholmeley, serjeant-at-law, Edm. Pekham, John Skewes, John Pakyngton, Ric. Pollard, Will. Patchett, Roger More, John Croke, Ric. Aunesham, Rob. Cheseman, John Palmer, John Newdegate, John Lymsey, Rob. Curson, Thos. Byllyngton, John Greynveyle, Hen. Whitre-

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son, John Tawe, Thos. Robertys, Francis Goodyre, Jasper Leeke.—Westm., 22 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 4, *m.* 9 *d.*

32. Monastery of St. Alban's, Herts. Mortmain license to Robert the abbot and the convent to acquire lands to the annual value of 20*l.* *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

33. Will. Cobden, the prior, and the convent of the house and church of Friars Preachers (Black Friars) of the town of Guildford, Surrey. Annuity of 20 marks in pure alms. Hampton Court, 21 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 40.

34. Thos. Morley, late abbot of the monastery of Stanley. Appointment as bishop of Marlborough, suffragan of the see of Salisbury; the said Thomas being one of two presented to the King by Nicholas bp. of Salisbury, according to the statute 26 Hen. VIII. Windsor Castle, 28 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct.—P.S.

35. Sir Peter Butler, earl of Ossory and Ormond, and James lord Butler, Treasurer of Ireland. Grant, in survivorship, (in consideration of their services to the King in the wars in Ireland, and even to the shedding of the blood of the said James in war against the Geraldines and other rebels) of the lordships or manors, castles and vills of Ballinganeran, Dunfert, Knoktoffer, Kylkenny, Glasshare, and Rosbarkan, co. Kilkenny; Carrikmagriffyn, Kellenale *alias* Kyldanale, Knokgraffyn, Castlecurre, Thurles, the Nenagh, Roskree, Ballynrie and Chanonston, co. Tipperary; Rathville, Clonmore, Tullaghin Offelym, Kallasue, Powerston, and Leghlin, co. Catherlagh (Carlow); Durbardis Island *alias* the Great Iland, co. Wexford; the little Iland, co. Waterford; Oughterarde, Castle Warning, Donadaa and Clyntonscourte, co. Kildare; Ruyshe, Ballyskaddan Curduff and Portrarne, co. Dublin; Blackcastle and Donamore, co. Meath; the Barrons Parnnes in the city of Dublyn or near Dublin; a house or messuage in Casshell; and a house or great messuage with a garden thereto annexed in the parish of St. Nicholas in the city of Dublin, which house or great messuage with garden came to the King's hands by the attainder of Gerald Fitzgerald, late earl of Kildare; and the manor of Arcloo. Hampton Court, 22 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 9. [There is a copy of this grant in Lambeth MS. 107, f. 10. *See* Carew Calendar, p. 129].

36. Ric. Delahide. To be, during good conduct, chief baron of the Exchequer in Ireland, with an annuity of 40*l.*; notwithstanding the statute passed in the Irish parliament at Drogheda 10 Hen. VII. before Sir Edw. Ponyngs, Deputy of Ireland, which provided that judicial offices should be held during the King's pleasure only. Hampton Court, 22 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 12.

37. Hen. Sell, yeoman "prykker" of the buck-hounds. Grant for life of the site of the manor and lordship of Cheston, Herts, by payment of a red rose upon St. John Baptist's day. Also to farm 24 acres of meadow in "le Frethe" in the said lordship, from the death of Henry late duke of Richmond and Somerset, at the annual rent of 3*l.* Also to be keeper of the wood called "lee old park" in said lordship, with fees of 13*s.* 4*d.* a year, and one "holowe oke" yearly out of the same wood. Hampton Court, 22 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

38. Nic. Hare. Annuity of 100*l.* Hampton Court, 21 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 26.

39. Ric. Pollard. Grant of the manor and borough of Combmeston, Devon, with reservation of gold and silver mines, &c. Hampton Court, 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

40. John Frampton. Livery of lands as kinsman and heir of Roger Frampton, kinsman and heir of James Frampton, deceased, viz., of those of the said Roger and James, and all reversions and remainders, &c. on the death of Avisia, wife of one Thos. Trencharde, and Eleanor Frampton, late wife of the said Roger. Esthamstede, 24 July 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3. *m.* 4.

41. Ric. Warwike. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Lancelot Warwike, deceased. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 31.

42. Thos. Smythe, a page of the Chamber. Grant for life of 15 messuages, 14 tenements, 14 gardens, and 2 "aleas" (alleys?), in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldrichegate, in the suburbs of London; and all other messuages, lands, &c. in the said parish, which came to the King's hands by the attainder of Ric. Haryson, late abbot of Kyrkystede, Linc. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 39.

43. *Derbyshire*:* Commission of the Peace. Sir Thos. Audeley, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Will. earl of Southampton, Francis lord Talbot, Sir Anth. FitzHerbert, Sir John Port, Walter Luke, Godfrey Folyambe, Hen. Sechieverell, Will. Coffyn, Matthew Knyston, James Folyambe, German Pole, Ric. Curson, Francis Cokayne, John Leeke,

* Dorset is erroneously named as the county in the abstract of the commission on the roll; but Derbyshire is correctly given in the margin.

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Thos. Pawtrell, Rouland Babyngton, John Boswell, Edw. Ayre, Geo. Fynderne, Ralph Sacheverell. Westm., 26 Oct. *Pat.* 29 *Hen VIII.*, *p.* 4, *m.* 8*d.*

44. John Danaster. Reversion of the office of second, third, or fourth, baron of the Exchequer, whichever may first become vacant. Hampton Court, 5 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 30 Oct.—P.S.

45. Roger Partriche. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Thos. Partriche, deceased, and kinsman of Roger Praers, deceased; and to Rob. Broke, or other person lately seized to the use of the said Thomas. Westm., 24 Jan. 26 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat.* *p.* 2, *m.* 2.

1009. THE SHERIFFS OF MIDDLESEX.

R. O. Information by Hen. Byrde, of the King's household, and Robt. Pedle of Edgware, Midd., that, contrary to Acts of Parliament (quoted), Nich. Goodeyre of Edgware has continued clerk to the sheriffs of Middlesex for more than one year, *i.e.*, to Ric. Raynold, Nic. Pynchyn, and John Martyn 24–25 Hen. VIII., to Wm. Forman and Thos. Kytson 25–26 Hen. VIII., to Humph. Monmouth and John Cotes 27–28 Hen. VIII., and to Ric. Pagett and Wm. Bowyer from Mich. 28 Hen. VIII. until now. For this he incurs a penalty of 600*l.*, half to the informer, half to the King.

Copy, headed: "D. termino S'ci Michis," 29 H. VIII., rotulo 31°. *Large paper, pp.* 4.

1 Nov. **1010.** CATHEDRAL PRIORY OF COVENTRY.

R. O. Petition by the sub-prior, president, and chapter to Henry VIII. for licence to choose a new prior in the room of dan Thomas Wyford, who died in the monastery 31 October last. Chapter House, 1 Nov., 29 Hen. VIII.

On vellum, with seal attached (*broken*).

1 Nov. **1011.** MONASTERY OF ST. MARY COVENTRY.

R. O. Appointment of Rob. Combe and Thos. Woolson as their proctors, to present to the King their certificate of the death of prior Thomas Wyforde and to sue for a *congé d'élire*. Chapter House, 1 Nov., 29 Hen. VIII.

1 Nov. **1012.** NORFOLK and PAULET to CROMWELL.

R. O. These noblemen, we trust, will be ready to give attendance at Hampton Court, and so to Windsor:—

My lords of Norfolk, Suffolk, marquis Dorset, marquis Exeter, the earls of Surrey, Oxford, Rutland, Wiltshire, Sussex, Hertford, Southampton, the lord Privy Seal, the lord Chamberlain, if your Lordship have passed letters for them, as we trust you have. The knights certified in the King's ordinary pass not 12.

At the interment of Queen Elizabeth were 7 marquis and earls, 16 barons, 60 knights, and 40 squires, besides the ordinary of the King's house, which is more than we be certain of. Therefore we have named more persons hereafter, that you may choose them and others at the King's pleasure. Write speedily, "that they may be ready to set forwards with the corpse Friday morning, ix. day of November, which is the uttermost day of our appointment." If you require longer time we cannot set forward till the Monday after, and must know the certainty of this. The earl of Surrey and the lord Chamberlain are sent for; the residue to be sent for are contained in the schedule enclosed. Hampton Court, Feast of All Saints. *Signed:* T. Norffolk—William Poulet.

In Paulet's hand, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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[1 Nov.] **1013.** E. EARL OF HERTFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have shown the King of my lord Thomas' death,* as Mr. Wrisli desired me, and also my lady his mother's request for the burying of him. His Grace is content she shall have him, so that she bury him without pomp.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd. inaccurately:* the bp. of Herfford.

1 Nov. **1014.** —— to SIR THOS. PALMER.

R. O. As you gave the authority of your ship to Bowring by letter, Perret made a bargain to Roon; and now William Geffery proposes to go with her and have the command, which will not be to your profit, for he is out of credit with the merchants. I beg you have my affairs in remembrance, that at your coming I may know my lord Privy Seal's pleasure and my lord Admiral's, and I will go over immediately after. The French King's council and the Lady Regent are at Cambray. The lords and the council of Almain are at Liège. The French king is at Lyons; his army is gone over the mountains. The Great Master of France is their chief captain, and they make provision of horses out of Flanders as they were wont to do. Calais, All Saints' Day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Sir Thomas Palmer, knight, porter of Calais, at London.

1 Nov. **1015.** JOHN HUTTON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. On Sunday last the cardinal of Luke was proclaimed legate *de latere*, at Luke, where my lady Regent is staying. Whilst the festival was going on, news came that the Queen was dead. Letters from Almayne certify that the king of the Romans has been defeated, and lost, to the peril of Christendom, 20,000 men. 1 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

2 Nov. **1016.** CROMWELL to TUNSTALL and THE COUNCIL IN THE NORTH.

R. O. The King has received their letters of the 15th ult., from him and others of his Council there, and also those of his Lordship to Cromwell. 1. He commends their proceedings, especially "your" letters to Sir Reynold Carnaby. 2. He is content that they shall use the signet in the custody of you, Mr. Uvedale, the stamp whereof His Grace liketh very well, as it is well graven and different from all his other signets. 3. He leaves the bestowal of the pledges of Tyndale and Riddesdale to your discretions, and does not think the matter of sufficient importance for him to write to Newcastle. 4. The names of Darcy, Constable, and others shall be withdrawn out of all commissions. 5. Mr. Fairfax is to have a place in the Council there with 20*l.* fee, to come and go at his liberty, for which purpose a new commission is enclosed with his name inserted. 6. They shall receive a commission for levying men in case of need, which is to remain with you, my lord of Durham only; though the King thinks there should be no occasion for its use if evil disposed persons are punished in time. 7. As to the children of Sir Thomas Percy, remaining in the custody of Sir Thomas Tempest, if the Council do not think the place secure they shall bestow them elsewhere as they think expedient. 8. You shall receive the books of decrees by the next messenger with the warrants for your diets and the fees of the rest of the Council, with the pensioners of the Marches, which, if our heavy chance had not happened, would have been despatched to you before. Westm., 2 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Draft in Wriothesley's hand. Corrected, pp. 6. *Endd.:* Copy of my lord's letter to the President and Council of the North.

* Lord Thomas Howard. *See* Wriothesley's Chronicle, i. 70.

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2 Nov. **1017.** THOMAS HUNT, Mayor of Exeter,* to CROMWELL.

R. O. We have before sent your Lordship a poor reward for your pains in the expedition of the King's grant to the city. We send by this bearer 20*l.* more, and also your fee. Exeter, 2 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Nov. **1018.** SIR WILL. GASCOIGNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs that the Council may examine the indentures between him and Sir Rob. Constable and Sir Marmaduke, his son and heir, for the marriage of Rob. Constable son and heir apparent of Sir Marmaduke, to the writer's daughter Dorothy. The marriage cost him over 1,000 marks, and the said Rob. Constable is attainted of treason. Gawkthorpe, 2 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

2 Nov. **1019.** SIR WILL. GASCOIGNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. I send the court rolls, &c. of the barony of Oversley. I beg you will move the King to know his pleasure about Sir Rob. Constable's lands, if I may find an office for those of my daughter's feoffment, married to young Sir Marmaduke's son and heir apparent. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

2 Nov. **1020.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. This instant there came to me the enclosed letter to you from Mr. Hall, by which you will learn the occurrents in those parts, albeit I know no place where there is better certainty of news from all parts than this. The bruit goes that the Queen is dead; which will cause a great change with those who lately rejoiced at the news that she had brought forth a goodly prince, so that we hoped her grace should have brought forth more fruit; but the power of God ought to be esteemed all for the best. The news of Hungary is daily confirmed—that the king of the Romans has lost a battle, in which 20,000 men fell. The bearer Derike will give you the news of these parts. Within these two days I will to the Court, from whence I will write more. Andwarpe, 2 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1537.

2 Nov. **1021.** HARVEL to CROMWELL.

Nero B. VII., 119. B. M. Wrote on the 11th ult. that he would, Cromwell not offended, continue to write to him. Begs to be considered one of his servants. Reminds him of the licence of wools for which he wrote in his last. "This city is full of our new Prince;" thanks God for it. Seventeen Turkish galleys have perished near Modon. Ferdinando's men were reported to have beaten the Turks, but now the news is that they have fled, losing 6,000 men by sword and famine, and leaving Cocianer, captain-general, with a very small force, surrounded by the Turks. Count Ludovico de Lod . . . . is with them, and they are in extreme peril. This State lately sent ambassadors in haste to the Emperor and to France, probably for a pacification, and seem constant to the late league against the Turk. The French finally entered Italy on the 26th ult. The Imperials are not few (gives numbers), and they are old soldiers, "which is the only strength of all wars." Venice, 2 Nov. 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

* According to Jenkins' Hist. of Exeter, Thomas Hunt was mayor in 1537. The charter granted to the city was dated 23 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII.

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3 Nov. **1022.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have appointed many days to come over, and now I have taken Midsummer day, hoping I may be well rid then, and if that day will not serve I will remove it to Michaelmas, though my lord Privy Seal said this day that the next bill the King signed should be mine. I pray God it may be the second on the condition that it cost me two groats. I send you a book which I pray you to look over, containing much matter against melancholy. It counsels me to take patience, of which I have much need. "Howbeyt I fynde myself so strong yn the feythe and so weyk yn the purse that I must nedys take pasyens perfors. And be cause, my lorde, I thyng yow have at some time some mosyon off malyncoly, I do send you thys boke to loke on, that you may se that ys good for the body ys nawght for the sowle." I think Jack of Riding has a merrier life than either your lordship or I. I think if I had not met with my book I had been stark mad ere now; "how beyt I thank God I have as good a bare sowle as any yn the worlde at thys daye." I will not come home this two years "yff I have not my fare or elles dyschargyd." I beg you to communicate all this to my lady and to no other, for there are more than my friends in Calais. I beg you that Thos. Appowell may have the first eightpence, which will much content my lord Privy Seal and my lord Admiral, and I will not fail to bring you letters of thanks from both. My lord Admiral promises you the best gelding in his stable, as soon as he is sworn. I promise you my lord Admiral was sore grieved that Pole had the last room of eightpence. London, 3 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

3 Nov. **1023.** Sir John Wallop to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have nothing at present to write except to pick quarrels because it is so long since I heard from you, although I wrote to you not long before the coming of your two daughters, and moreover made instant labour to the King for your youngest daughter, which I am glad to say took effect, though you seem to think I did nothing. The King is in good health and merry as a widower may be, the Prince also. The Queen is to be buried at Windsor at the end of this week. My lord Thomas died in the Tower four days ago of an ague. What shall become of Dyngley I cannot yet tell, but his two commandries are bestowed, the one in Hampshire on Sir Thos. Semour, and the other on Sir Ric. Long. How Frogmorton shall do I know not. Let me hear how my aunt does with you. Commend me to my lady, my lord Edmund, Mr. Wingfield, Mr. Marshal, the Under-marshal, and Mr. Ruckwode. York Place, 3 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais. *Endd.*

3 Nov. **1024.** H. Earl of Worcester to Cromwell.

R. O. Perceives by the King's letters and Cromwell's, for his appearance before the King's Commissioners in the marches of Wales on Nov. 10, touching the variance between him and lord Ferrers for exercising the office of deputy-steward of Arrustly and Keviliok, that his Highness has been misinformed of certain unlawful assemblies surmised to be done by him. Lord Ferrers never had any patent but during pleasure. Never made him any promise but upon condition that he would discharge his deputies, who had done many great extortions, and see the country well ordered. This he promised to do, but broke his promise.

Cannot appear before the Council in the marches on the day named, as there is 60 miles of foul way. Has written to his brother, the earl of Hampton, to move Cromwell that the matter may be examined before him and the Council. Tynterne, 3 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd*

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3 Nov. **1025.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. v. 120.

We have received your writing dated Hampton [Cou]rt 16 Sept., desiring restitution of certain cables and hawsers provided by you at Hamburg for your navy and taken by Frenchmen in a hoy of Syroksee, Gerard Jacobsoun master, together with certain wainscot belonging to Jherome Melhouse of the League of [Ha]nse; which Frenchmen were "ressett" in our town of Leith. We find that certain Frenchmen with prizes of Holland and Easterlings, and licence from the Admiral of France to take all enemies of the King our father, did come hither; and, considering the tender alliance, "of new contracted betwixt us," we could not refuse them refreshment. None of the cables and hawsers have been "disponit" in Scotland or they should be delivered to you. Striveling Castle, 3 Nov., 25 Jac. V. *Signed.*

Large paper, p. 1. *Add.*

3 Nov. **1026.** CARD. POLE to the CARD. OF LIEGE.

Poli Epp. II. 92.

Has at length come safely to Rome, and is glad to have an opportunity of serving him by suing out the brief for the greater declaration of the faculties of legate *de latere*. He (Liege) has many friends here, such as cardinals Campeggio, Ghinucci, and Contarini, Ascanio bp. of Rimini (*Ariminensis*), and Dominus Durantes, of the Pope's chamber. These, however, agree in thinking this declaration unnecessary, as all power over "exempts" is understood by the first brief, and as the similar faculty granted to the card. of Mantua is a precedent. Praises his good will for a reformation of the clergy, for which the Pope also is zealous. Told the Pope what good assistants Liege had for this in Dominus Tungrensis and Dominus Theodoricus, the latter of whom his Holiness had known at Rome† * *

Latin.

4 Nov. **1027.** HOLYWELL NUNNERY.

Close Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. p. 3, no. 67.

Indenture of sale, by Sibilla Newdigate, prioress of Halywell, Midd., and the convent there, for 85*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, to Sir Thos. Audeley, lord Chancellor, and Elizabeth his wife, of the manor of Giberake, Herts, and all the convent lands in Leyston, Alleswike, Wydyale, Throkkyng, Westmyll, Buntyngford, and Aspeden, Herts; all which belonged to the late monastery of Holy Trinity, called Christchurch in London, and were farmed by the convent of Halywell, at a rent of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and which the said Chancellor farms at that rent. Laur. Owen and John Halfhyde to be attorneys to receive and deliver possession of the premises. Chapter house of Halywell, 4 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. With memorandum of acknowledgment, the same day and place before John Pekyns clerk.

Grant, in return, by Audeley to the monastery of lands in Brawghing, Herts, Ferneham and Alderbury *alias* Aldebury, Essex.

Latin.

4 Nov. **1028.** NAVY ACCOUNTS.

R. O.

A brief declaration of all sums received and paid by the King's command, both for transporting his Highness between Dover and Calais, and for wages and victuals to captains, soldiers, and gunners serving him at sea, and for repairing his ships, &c. from 21 August 24 to 4 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.

The whole receipt of Book "A" from 21 Aug. 24 to 25 Aug. 25 Hen. VIII., 4,169*l.* 9*s.* The whole discharge of the same book from 15 July 24 to 27 Feb. 25 Hen. VIII., 4,444*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* "Surplusage" due to me Will. Gonson, 274*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*

† The end, which the editor of Pole's Letters at first supposed to be lost, was afterwards supplied by him at p. 208. It speaks of the Pope's continued efforts for peace in concert with the Venetians, who have granted Vicenza for the place of the General Council. Rome, 3 Nov.

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1028. Navy Accounts—*cont.*

Similar but fuller analysis of books "B" and "C" the former of the years 25–27 Hen. VIII., and the latter 27–29 Hen. VIII.

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4 Nov. R. O. **1029.** Sir Thos. Palmer to Lord Lisle.

I have received your letter this day, 4 Nov., which was dated 25 Oct. I am sorry that Mr. Bailly of Guisnes did not make good haste by the way. I thank you for your news, as well of France as of Calais, for it is as much news to me to hear that my lord Edmund has bought my lady's land. I doubt not he has bought it cheap, and perhaps will win not a penny by it, for she offered it to me to sell, and would have given me days of payment as many as I pleased. As much as is under Sandgate, I would be loath to give her a horse load of mussels for. I am sorry that Mr. Mayor and my lord Edmund have fallen out. I always thought my lord would be glad to do him displeasure. Howbeit, though he be a lord, yet he is not God. My lord cannot choose but prosper, for he has such honest men of his council that he cannot quail, "putting no doubt if the devil were there resident, he would desire no other council than Mr. Commissary, Mr. Marche, Mr. Cheparde, Mr. Broke, with other mo I will not name, but I trust these be known both in earth and in hell." I am sorry that any nobleman should be so abused. I have given Wm. Cole, Staunton's room, and I beg he may be sworn in. I have given his room to Robert Dover (?), Blount's man. I refused this morning 36 angels for Staunton's room, and I beg that Thos. Appowell may have Cochett's room. He has served the King for 8*d.* a day as well as any in Calais. I assure you you will have thanks both of my lord Privy Seal and my lord Admiral.

I cannot wonder you would be glad to leave Calais, but I will send you a book to show what merit you obtain by the same, so you would learn to take it patiently as I do, "which hath well nigh brought me out of my wit." If ever I come over I will bring you such things that you shall not be handled as you have been in many causes. I beg that Thos. Appowell may be sped, and I will see you discharged if it cost me all I have. As for Thomas Jones, for whom my lord hath written to give him 6*d.* till a room of 8*d.* fall, I pray you help him now or never.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

4 Nov. R.O. **1030.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

Thanks for your venison. By your letter, you would know how I sped with the King yesterday. First (peradventure not wisely, yet plainly) I exhorted him to accept God's pleasure in taking the Queen, and recomfort himself with the treasure sent to him and this realm, viz., the Prince, and advised him to provide for a new wife. After that I thanked him for being content to give us Lewes, if we might conclude the bargain, rehearsing of your service to him, as I told you in your garden, and saying I was content you should have two parts. He said, "as ye shewed unto me," he thought it well bestowed. Of other communications, I forbear writing till we meet.

As for our business here, Mr. Comptroller can declare it, "being present at that matter only." For the third part, I will remain in my determination. Hampton Court, 4 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

4 Nov. Vatican MS. **1031.** Mons. Poggio to ———.

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Lately a courier from the king of England to his ambassador arrived at Fontarabia by way of Bayonne and was brought hither. The ambassador went to the Emperor to solicit the resolution of the practice of the marriage of the Infant of Portugal and exhort his Majesty to peace with France. He was told

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that as to the marriage the Emperor had already answered and [sent a] commission to his ambassador with the King, and that as to the peace the Emperor would do his part and had sent his will to the Pope, in whose hands the business was, because of his Holiness' authority, and because the princes were Christians. I hear that because the ambassador did not speak honourably of the Pope the Emperor showed him little favour, and referred him to Covos and Grandvelle, who told him that the Emperor would always obey the Holy See; and it seems they used words which were little amicable; for the ambassador accused the Emperor of ingratitude to his master, which Granvelle resented. However, they told him what Mons. de Vely carried. With that answer, and the news that they intended to recall the Emperor's ambassador with his King, he (the ambassador) despatched his courier on the 20th. Granvelle told me this, and I thereupon complained, Covos being present, that the said ambassador with dishonourable words was urging many to study certain pamphlets (*libretti*) of his, full of heresies, as a gentleman of this kingdom had told me. They said I should find out the truth, and the Emperor would remedy it "senza respetto alcuno."

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Italian, pp. 2. *From a modern extract in R. O. headed:* "Mons. Poggio de iiij de 9mbre. da Monton, 1537."

5 Nov. R. O. **1032.** Richard Bishop of Chichester to Wriothesley.

Begs him to remind Cromwell of his promise that the bp., with two others whom he (Cromwell) should appoint, should have the hearing of the dispute between Mr. Boleyne, parson of Wynwyke,† and Mr. Keble for the said parsonage; in spite of which Mr. Boleyn is informed that Kebell has letters from my lord to be put in possession. Hampton Court, 5 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

6 Nov. R. O. **1033.** Salisbury.

Depositions of Chr. Tucker and John Wall, taken on Tuesday, 6 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., against John Goodale, under-bailiff of Sarum.

That the bailiff said, the mayor was no head officer under the King, but under the bishop; also that he is as much a head officer as the mayor, and that the serjeants, catchpolls, and the bellman are King's officers as well as the mayor is; also "that the mayor is but as a Maye king." John Wall said that if the bailiff misordered himself the mayor could "put him by the heels." The bailiff replied, "I defy thee, and turde in thy teeth and in the mayor's teeth also." Tucker said that was not honestly spoken, and the bailiff answered him, "Turde in the mayor's teeth, and say that I sent him word so." Tucker said, the mayor had the King's letters naming him his mayor, and had the mace carried before him wherein are the King's arms, and set you no more of him than of a catchpole or a bellman? Saying which, Tucker "cast his sleeve upon his shoulder," and the bailiff said to him, "Wilt thou carry a faggot upon thy back?" The bailiff also said, "Within these 10 days one shall come that shall put aside all these matters, and swear the mayor and all the citizens to the bishop and not to the King, and if they refuse the same they shall not dwell within the city." Witness to the above articles, John Mody, Thos. Barker, John Bekyngh[am], Chr. Tucker, Ric. Markes, John Wall, and Thos. Harviste.

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6 Nov. R. O. **1034.** Sir Ralph Eure to Cromwell.

The lords and gentlemen of these parts have studied for the reformation of the Tyndalle men without effect. It is thought that their disobedience is due to their having no ruler. Offers himself to undertake the rule of Tyndalle. Fowbrige, 6 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Mr Evers to my lord.

† Winwick in Lancashire. *See* Valor Eccl. v. 220.

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6 Nov. **1035.** Lord Lisle to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received your letter and perceive your mind from Husee. I am grieved that you should take me to be ungrateful, whom I have always found my most assured friend and last refuge in all my suits and affairs. I had rather have, the King only reserved, the "male talent" of all the realm than of your Lordship. Whatever is reported, you shall always find me your own faithfully assured. When Johnes comes he shall have the room of 6*d.* a day according to the King's pleasure and your writing, though he is an "hard honest man," and has otherwise reported of me than truth is. For your sake, though it be against my stomach, I will restore the "fyffe" to his accustomed room. The Corvours have not only hindered the Frenchmen in their fishing, but have also injured the fishermen of this town. I trust the next year, by the King's assent, to prevent them, so that they shall enjoy their fishing as they were accustomed peaceably, and not break any part of the League. I will let you know the rest of my mind by Husee, who will be with you in eight days. I beg you to send home Mr. Porter, for here is great lack of him. Calais, 6 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* My Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Nov. **1036.** Mayor and Brethren of New Sarum to Cromwell.

R. O. John Goodale, under-bailly, on Tuesday, 6 Nov., openly said in presence of six honest men, the words contained in an article enclosed with this letter. On All Souls day a new mayor was chosen, who by custom should take his oath at the Court of the King's law day on Nov. 14. If the matter contained in the articles should be set forth by the under-bailly inconvenience might ensue. Ask for instructions.

Last year the bp. of Salisbury's officers would have given the mayor an erroneous oath, contrary to the customary oath, that he should be sworn as far forth to the bp. as to the King. The mayor refused to take it, and this was part of the matters at variance between the bp. and them. These matters were not thoroughly heard by the justice of assize when last here, but the lord Chief Justice came purposely on St. Laurence's Day and deliberately heard the whole, and it was agreed that both parties should give him books, and he should make relation thereof to Cromwell. The stay is because they hear the Chief Justice goes not up this term. Have delivered the bearer a book containing part of the matter. Sarum, 7 Nov.

Hol., pp 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Nov. **1037.** Elizabeth Whettyll, "a Pore Wedo," to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for your goodness to me in my suits. I hear that the King's commission to the lord Chamberlain and others here is returned to your lordship; but what they have done I know not and fear I shall sustain great wrong. Please command the "laws" here to show you the customs of the country and then determine the matter yourself "or else I would be content that he would let the will stand." There has been communication for an agreement between me and my son and I would take 100*l.* a year and let him have 10*l.* a year "more than her father hath given him by his will" and let the rest of the land go to the performance of the will. Because I demanded a little farm we had in the country he insisted that he and his wife should have half and live with me. I have not received past 4*l.* 12*s.* of my husband's land since he died a year ago. Begs assistance. Calais, 7 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* My lady Whettyll.

1038. Sir Ric. Whetehill.

R. O. Award by Thomas lord Cromwell, K.G., as to the assignment of the property of the late Sir Ric. Whetehill between lady Elizabeth his widow and Robert his son and heir. Robert is to have all the lands in England, Calais,

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&c., except a house called "the Cawsy," in the parish of Calkewell, Guisnes, which his mother will hold for life at a rent of 5*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* He will also pay her an annuity of 100 mks.; a sum of 550 mks. towards the marriage of Margaret Creke and Margery Whetehill, daughters of Sir Richard; 10 mks. annually towards the finding of Gilbert and Nicholas, his younger brothers; 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* annually towards the finding of his sister Margery until her marriage. He promises that his brothers shall enjoy the lands bequeathed to them. Lady Whetehill is to have household stuff with 40 mks. and other conditions.

Draft. Large paper, pp. 9. *Endd. Slightly mutilated.*

7 Nov. **1039.** JEHAN FOUBER to MAISTRE PIERRE,* Lord Lisle's Secretary.

R. O. I have made application to your master several times for some Flemish prisoners in France. There are two at Calais who are at great expenses and I cannot tell why they are not sent back. I send the bearer to you on this matter, desiring a letter from your master, and that he will send a herald to Mons. de Hochepot to deliver them to the messenger, who will cause the Frenchmen to be delivered at Boulogne. Ostende, 7 Nov. 1537.

I would have written to your master, but hope you will excuse me to him as I have often given him trouble in this matter.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

7 Nov. **1040.** ———— to ————.

R. O. Our army, under the Dauphin and Grand Master, is before Suze, at the pass of Mont Sygny in Savoye. The Grand Master brought his artillery to Suze to bombard the Spaniards there, 24 Oct. The Spaniards have laid waste the whole country; 12,000 French have died of hunger, and the remainder hold only Thurin. In several towns the Spaniards massacred all over eight years old; as at Perouze (Perosa), Quier (Chieri), and Mont Callier. Some time ago Mons. de Humyeres, the King's lieutenant, led 12,000 men to reinforce Thurin, and was followed by count William, duc de Huystanbergue, and Captain Bossu. They passed Thurin and entered the country of Montferrat and Lastisane, but were repulsed and many slain, including the baron de Curton, nephew of the late duke of Albany, and the lieutenant of Mons. de La Fayette. After reinforcing Thurin, Mons. de Humyeres was stopped by the Spaniards, his men mutinied, and he himself fled in the night to Brienson in Dauphiney. For six weeks there have been such snows as were never seen.

It is feared that the Burgundians will break truce, and the duke of Orleans has been sent to victual the towns of Picardy. Yesterday 1,500 muyts of wine of Burgundy passed towards Rouen to be laden for Abbeville.

In the past year the King has drawn from France 15,000,000 francs. Normandy has paid 2,000,000 crowns of gold more than usual. The ordinary payment in time past has been 4,500,000 or 4,600,000. The Church has paid three tenths, and the bishop and archbishops and abbeys have paid forced loans. The imposts, from 12 deniers, have risen to 20 solz. Brittany is taxed like the rest. All merchants known to possess money are levied upon.

The Pope, the Emperor, and the Venetians concluded a league at Rome, 18 Sept. last, and have since been joined by the Genoese. The army of the Turk lay for a month before Crosse, in Naples, but retired without doing anything, as the King failed to redeem his promises. Our ambassador with the Turk, Mons. de la Forest, is dead, and negociations there are at a standstill.

* Peter Beckwith.

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1040. ——— to ———*cont.*

The Grand Master and the Admiral are enemies, and the queen of Navarre has now turned against the Admiral. The duke of Guise is against the Grand Master.

If Monsieur will send money by this bearer, will push on the said case (*proces*); more than 50 crowns of gold are necessary. 7 Nov.

P.S.—If Burgundy breaks truce the realm is in danger.

Fr., pp. 4.

7 Nov. **1041.** The Duchess of Florence.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 13. B. M.

The Emperor's instructions to Lope Hurtado de Mendoça (and his wife) sent to be chief steward to the widowed duchess of Florence, the Emperor's daughter. Monçon, 7 Nov. 1537.

Spanish, pp. 8. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

8 Nov. **1042.** Ric. Gresham to Cromwell.

Nero C. x. 2. B. M. S. P. I. 574.

By the duke of Norfolk's command, has caused 1,200 masses to be said in the city for the Queen's soul. As the mayor, aldermen and commoners lately gave thanks for the birth of a prince at Powlles, he suggests that a solemn "derige" and mass should be held there. Asks him to ascertain the King's pleasure about it. London, Thursday 8 Nov.

If there are any alms to be given there are many poor people in the city.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To &c., my Lord Privy Seal.

8 Nov. **1043.** H. Latymer, Bishop of Worcester, to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 139. B. M. Latimer's Remains, 386. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 147.

Cromwell wished to know at their last interview where he might have good monks. Told him of two with my lord of Westminster, whom he could not then name. The one is called Goorton, the other Clarke,* both bachelors of divinity. The prior of Coventry† is dead. The matter is somewhat entered with the King and like to go forward with your help. The abbot will doubtless spare them for such a purpose. Would have waited on Cromwell, but does what he can that he may be able to stand in the pulpit on Tuesday. Is faint all over, but chiefly in the small of his back. Has, however, a good nurse, Mrs. Statham, who has fetched him home to her own house, "and doth pymper me up with all diligence; for I fear a consumption." In Master Statham's house, 8 Nov.

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1044. Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L's. Remains, p. 387.

Should have reminded him of Gorton and Clarke, the two monks of Westminster, concerning Coventry, but forgot it.

Master Haynes thinks to keep the Wednesday himself, so Latimer will not need to advertise his brother prior of it. Wishes him to have a Sunday that the King may taste what he can do.

The bearer Mr. Acton, his "godsybe" and friend, has something to say to Cromwell. He is faithful and hearty in all good causes.

If Antony Throgmerton, Cardinal Pole's servant, is not the King's true subject, wishes that Mr. Robt. Acton could have the things he has at "Wyeche," for it lies very commodiously for him. If Friar Gauvyne has suffered enough for his misbehaviour, doubts not that Cromwell will extend his charity to him.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* Ric. Gorton and John Clerke, both D.D.'s in 1539.

† Thos. Weford. His successor Thos. Camswell had the temporalities restored 21 March 1538.

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8 Nov. R. O. **1045.** Ric. Bellyses, Robt. Meynell, and Ambros Myddelton, to the Council in the North.

This 3 Nov. according to your letter we have examined Thomas Danyell and Henry Bukkery, in ward in the castle of Barnardcastell, upon the interrogatories contained in your letter. They profess obedience to the King's laws concerning the bishop of Rome and the King's supremacy. They say they returned into this realm to refuse their old cankered opinions touching the bp. of Rome and to submit to the King's mercy. As to the sayings of the Scots and the other English rebels now there, they know little. We ripped and searched their apparel but found no books or writings but matins books and books of prayer, except one "little printed book named *Directorium Fratrum Minorum*" which Daniel voluntarily delivered and which we send by bearer. Both the "said friars" on their knees begged us to sue to your lordships to obtain their pardon. Barnardcastle, the day aforesaid. *Signed.*

ii. Ebor., 8 Nov. 29 Henry VIII. This day the foresaid two friars, before my lord President and the Council, confessed the above as their whole mind and begged intercession for their pardon.

Pp. 2. *Add.*

8 Nov. R. O. St. P. II. 514. **1046.** McGilpatrick.

"The submission of Mighell Patrick to the King's Majesty in obeisance and to hold his lands to him and his heirs after the due course of the King's laws." In the form of an indenture between the King's Commissioners, Seyntleger, Poulet, Moyle and Berners, and Barnard son of Patrick *alias* Makgill Patrik, who is to conduct himself as the barons of Delvyn and Slane do, to have the title of baron of Colthill and Castleton, to adopt the English tongue and renounce the Pope. 8 Nov. 29 Henry VIII.

Latin.

*** Another copy of this is in Lambeth MS. 603 f. 86 a.

8 Nov. R. O. **1047.** Guillaume le Gras to Lord Lisle.

I have to-day received yours and my lady's of the 30th ult. You write that you have delivered the amount of the accounts I sent you for your son James, to Verdun Labe, for which I thank you. You desire that I shall put your son to college to learn Latin, in which I will endeavour to satisfy you and my lady. I will be guided in this matter by the advice of Mons. Bekansal, and he shall place him where he can profit best. I am emboldened to ask your assistance against a merchant formerly dwelling at Rouen, who is now at London, and owes me 126 livres 11 sous for goods I sold him a year ago. He has carried off all his goods to England. His name is Jean Batiste de Cosigny. He is an Italian, dealer in scarlet dyes, and I understand if he were sued in London I should be paid. I send a copy of his schedule, which I beg you to address so that I may obtain payment. I should be glad to hear if you have any certain news of peace between France and the Emperor. Paris, 8 Nov. 1537.

I am very glad my lady has received the crapes and is satisfied with them. They cost 22*s.* 6*d.* each.

Hol. Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

9 Nov. R. O. **1048.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.

Sends copy, as desired, of the warrant directed to him for the diets of Sir Thomas Wyat, with a schedule of what he has received upon the same. I being sick in Essex, you wrote me to send him by an officer of arms, who was then despatched, new diets for six months. The officer, as my clerks advertised me, would not tarry till the money might be sent from the Tower,

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but said that other agents of Mr. Wyat's would receive it and pay it to his bankers. I understand Sir William Hawte is one of the agents, but he has shown no commission.

Sir Thomas is the King's debtor to no small sum. At his going he refused to pay it and also received money for a posts' charges, promising to rebate both upon his next payment, but he has not written nor informed your Lordship. Many more of the King's debtors, both beyond sea and at home, doubting I will stop their debts, sue to be paid elsewhere, though I never retarded any. Mr. Dudley was one at his last going over, and Dowglas, that brought a letter from your Lordship mentioning that he and his brother were unpaid their pension, though his day was not come by almost a month, at which time he got 500*l.* Writes this that Cromwell may hereafter "decipher" such untrue gentlemen, and also to know if he is to stop the King's debts; which he has not hitherto done, owing to the "importance of their expeditions." It would have become me, on coming to town at the beginning of the term to have attended upon your Lordship, but I durst not go as far as my garden in the air. I trust shortly to wait on you for "I am clear of all my sicknesses, which have not been a few, one upon another, able to keep such a strong man as I am long down." "At my poore caban at London," 9 November 1537, at 9 p.m.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal.

ii. Copy of the warrant above referred to for Sir Thomas Wyatt, on his being sent to the Emperor's Court, allowing him 41*s.* a day, beginning on the 10th inst., to be advanced beforehand. Westminster Palace, 12 March 28 Hen. VIII. The odd shilling is towards the diet of Bartholomew Rougecroix, appointed to attend on him.

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iii. "Money paid to Sir Thomas Wyatt," 19 March 28 Henry VIII.

For diets beginning 10 March 28 Henry VIII., for half a year, advanced at 40*s.* by the day for himself, and 12*d.* the day towards the diet of Bartholomew Rougecroix, appointed to attend upon him, and ending 8 September then next following, 182½ days:—374*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

Advanced the same day for posts, 100 ducats at 5*s.* the piece:—25*l.*

Added in Tuke's hand:—Rougecrosse at his last going to Sir Thomas Wyatt had by my lord Privy Seal's letters for his own charges 120 cr. soleil:—28*l.*

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10 Nov. **1049.** E. Duchess of Norfolk to Cromwell.

Titus, B. I. (389.) B. M. Nott's Howard, App. No. 29.

Sends a present of partridges, and urges him to move the King and her husband that she may have a better living. Without your aid I shall never get it, "I have so many enemies,—Bessie Howlond in the Court for chief, and the bawde and the harlots at Kenynggar, and the men, as Sothwell one and Rowse another, Hussey another, which was akin and nephew to my lord Hussey that last was buried. They rule my lord as they list." My lord, Arnoll and his wife showed me how good you were to them for my sake. On the 10th Nov., Mrs Abram, your niece, was well; my godson and yours is a toward child, and like to live, though he was weakly when born, as I hear. I am so shamefully handled that none dare come at me but such as my lord appoints to counsel me; but I will follow none of their counsels. I have been from my lord four years come Easter, as I have written, and will never return to him. I have written to him that I will do more for gentleness than for all their extreme handling, seeing I was his chcosing, and not he mine. After he had put me away, he sent his chaplains, Mr. Burley and Thos. Seymer, offering, if I would be divorced, to give me all my jewels and apparel and much of his plate and household stuff. I rebuked his priests, and next day he wrote it with his own hand; but though my children be

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unnat[ural] to me, I still love them. I will never trust my husband; he can speak fair to his enemy as to his friend. Remember my last letter touching my daughter of Richmond's jointure, that the King may be in hand for my jointure first. Radburne, 10 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

10 Nov. **1050.** THOS. [MANNING], SUFFRAGAN OF IPSWICH, to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Has received his loving letter and endeavoured to carry out his desire, as the bearer can show. Will do anything he can for him in these parts, trusting that Wriothesley will do the like for him. Has given to Wriothesley's servants a copy of his court-rolls concerning the lands held by Sir Thos. Rushe in his life time in Sudburne, Chylford, Orford and Ikyne. Would not have done this for any other. Understands that Wriothesley's servants have appointed John Lane to be his bailiff at Baudyssey. Thinks him a very meet man, both for Wriothesley's profit and for quieting the poor men. They are as poor as any in the realm. Butteley, 10 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

10 Nov. **1051.** JAMES BETTES to CROMWELL.

R. O. John Mylle of Hampton informs me that, by Master Paulet's mediation, your lordship is content I shall have respite to pay 100 marks a year till I have paid the money I am now in danger for to the King, by reason of untrue men that I trusted. I thank you for remembering me in my age and necessity; but if you would help that I might pay but 50*l.* a year, I should think myself a man newly made. Hampton, 10 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Nov. **1052.** RICHARD CULOKE, Merchant of Dublin, to BRABAZON.

R. O. Gallwy 10 Nov. 1537. To this part of Connaught is come a kinsman
St. P. II. 516. of Vylloke Bowrke's from Rome with bulls for the bpric. of Clonfert. His name is Roland Bowrke and he is received in Clanrycart by Make Vyllam and Vylloke O'Bowrke. The bp. appointed by the King—Dr. Nangyll, Austin friar—dare not stir abroad. As Make Vyllam and Vylloke O'Bowrke call themselves the King's subjects, please get the Deputy to write to them to send the said Roland to Dublin, and to the Mayor of Galway to stop his revenues. Malazelyn O'Madyne, lord of A'Maden's country and Make Suuyne, a captain of gallowglasses, who were with O'Connor, are "reset" by Make Vyllame.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* King's treasurer.

[10 Nov.]? **1053.** WYATT AND DUDLEY IN SPAIN.

Harl. MS. Memorial for Sir John Dudley [drawn up by himself].
282 f. 263. After the King's effectuous recommendations to the Emperor's Majesty by
B.M. me declared and his Highness' letters delivered, the Emperor thanked God of the news, of which he was no less glad than he was of his own child* which was born 20 Oct. [last]†, the same present month that the King his brother's son was born in. Although he would have been glad if the benefit had been to his own blood, he was as rejoiced as if it had been by his aunt. He had always a good opinion of the King's last marriage, as much as he was "cloyed with the tother." He trusted that things between the King and him would go the better for this, and prayed God to send the King's son long life.

[When we perceived he had finished his answer and showed gladness]† we declared the stature and goodliness of the child, and who were the godfathers

* Joanna. † Crossed out.

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and godmothers. I declared I was sorry he had made no better answer to the King's ambassador touching the overture for peace between him and the Most Christian King, which would have been acceptable to God and laudable to himself. Mr. Wiat added "Sire, undoubtedly my fellow Mr. Dudeley here present hath the like commandment as I had to treat in this overture of peace to your Majesty, how well that I think the matter is already so far forwards and at so good a point betwixt your Majesty and the French king at Velie's last being here that the King my master shall not need to travail further; and though you were sure that the King your (*sic, for* "my") master would be right glad of a peace, which thing he desireth nothing more, yet you were in doubt how his Majesty would conceive it, seeing the overture and mediation that he made was no otherwise embraced." He answered to this "M. Ambassador, at the last time you were with me for this matter, truth it is I did not so frankly utter my mind to you as I will do now." He then said that one Cornelius and ———— (*blank*) came from his sister in Flanders through France, by whom the French king sent word that he would "intend to the peace." He sent like word back by Cornelius and ——— (*blank*) on their return to Flanders. Whereupon Vely came and "practised a truce for the rescuing of Turryn under colour of the Great Master to hearken to the truce, which the Emperor would not"; but whether Turryn were pressed or rescued he would intend to the peace. Vely charged the Emperor with seeking advantage by advertising his friends and allies; whereupon the Emperor promised to keep their conference secret until Vely's return "which should have been the 5th day of this last October and now it is the 10th." I said I saw no great appearance of peace considering the French king's passing the mountains with so great an army and that the Great Master had won the passages. He answered he did not think the French king would much prevail there, where the marquis de Guast was ready for him with 30,000 Spaniards and Italians, the best men of war that ever he had. No other mention of peace had been made and nothing would be concluded without the King's privity.

Here Mr. Wiat, to feel his intent touching the General Council, said he would be glad to certify his master, by me, of the place, time and intent of the same. He answered that the Venetians had granted Vincentia for the place and the time was deferred until the beginning of the year, that the King should take no prejudice, and that some such thing was expedient for strengthening this league against the Turk. Mr. Wyat said the receiving the bp. of Rome might occasion the excluding of the King. He answered "that if the King having his purpose what hurt were it having his mind to have a friend rather than an enemy. A sick man may not be cured at once." We replied we felt not sick; but, of a long sickness, healed. "No," quoth he, "I mean the King my brother is the physician. I speak to you but in general; but I promise you effectually and faithfully to serve the King my brother's turn to my power." Mr. Wiat desired to have the particulars capitulated. He answered he would speak further with us. I said that as he had admitted me so soon to his presence I might the better tarry a day or two. He asked how his cousin the lady Mary did [and said he thought she was delivered of a great burthen].*

Corrected draft, pp. 6. *Headed:* "Memorye."

Harl. MS. 282, f. 255. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 518.

2. Memorial to the same effect as the preceding, but rather shorter. It continues:—

"Item. The next day our conferences with Grandvela:" To whom they spoke of the frankness they had found in the Emperor, both about the peace and the Council, and how, though it seemed vain to speak of this mediation, they desired particulars of that and other points; on which he promised to commune with the Emperor.

* Crossed out.

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The next day we had report of him to this effect, that the Emperor would not meddle between the Bishop and the King but to the King's contentment, and with great secrecy. "In which ye must remember the points he spake of, annates, indulgences, exactions, and mediate power," in all of which the Emperor would attempt to justify the King's doings to the Bishop. This the Emperor did not wish opened to the King unless we thought he would take it well; but the establishing of things in accord in the King's time should be better for his succession. We thought that though this overture were vain, the King would take well every friendly motion; and our affairs were so established and in accordance with God's word that there was no need of the rest. He answered, "What hurt if they might pass with allowing and capitulation, both of the Bishop and other?" He thought that the King, as he hath not divided himself from the Faith, so would he not utterly divide himself from the Council and company of other Christian princes. "Of these things a little reasoning." The Emperor willed him to say he could dissemble with no man, and that if he had meant not friendly, he should have done as the Frenchmen do—"hold the Kyng thire frend w^{t} others men's jarrys and suspects." Why should he dissemble, when all occasions of quarrel between them are taken away? The Emperor desired his friendship more than ever, and that these things of my lady Marya should be more forward. "Here upon our reasoning for their ambassadors' commission, he showed us the minute of the commission, dated in May." As to the Council, he answered as the Emperor had done. The Emperor intended nothing but the settlement of points of faith against the open heresies, "and though the Pope would debate for his authority, the Emperor would not linger the time" for his pleasure, but would see that the King was not prejudiced. As for the peace, since Velie's cousin had arrived with news of Velie's coming, the Emperor would have you tarry to know the particulars, although he thought they would be "but to make fair weather." The Emperor bade him say that nothing would be done without the King's knowledge, who should be principal contrahent, if he would. "Upon these points you tarried. Item, the sendyng of Chasteau, the excusing of the personage, by the save conduyt, y^{t} there was non other, &c." He pressed to know if the King was grieved in anything.

Memorandum, that all this was before the news of Italy, so that we could not impute it to their evil successes.

In this mean time came Velye, on Wednesday last, the —— (*blank*) day of October, and same night spake with the Emperor. Next day Covos and Grandvela practised with Vely; so it was Saturday before we learnt anything. Mem. Conjectures made when Velye's cousin and the Spaniard that came last from the camp were both despatched on Saturday morning through France. How we were sent for, and in what mind we went to Grandvela, and Grandvela's excuse of the delay and declaration of the truce for three months, to be published in both camps from the 27th of this month of November. The power that Vely brought for this—to treat for two months or more. The truce, at the requests of the bp. of Rome, the King, and other Christian princes. By this truce Covos and Grandvele are to be at Perpignan the 17th of next month, and, at the same time, the Great Master and card. of Lorraine, at Narbona. The Emperor to be in Barsolona in December, and the French King in Mountpillier. That there should come the ambassadors, as well the Nuncio as the others, to solicit their masters' indemnity. The King to be provided for as if he were king of the Romans, and his ambassador to be cognisant of all that is done.

Pp. 14, *in Wyatt's hand. Endd.:* "Copy of the memorial for Mr. Duddeley upon his commission."

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11 Nov. **1054.** CRANMER to DR. SNEDE, Vicar of Rye.*

R. O. Cranmer's Letters, 357.

Understands that he is in doubt whether he may lawfully celebrate divine service in his church by reason of bloodshed lately committed by Wm. Guston upon Robt. à Wode. Considers there is no lawful impediment to cause him to abstain. Forde, 11 Nov. *Signed.*

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11 Nov. **1055.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 357.

Asks him to write to the prior and convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, in favour of Master Towker, his physician, who has been for a long time physician to the convent, with promise of a patent of the office for life, which the prior now refuses. Lamehithe, 11 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Nov. **1056.** THE MAYOR AND HIS BRETHREN OF SOUTHAMPTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

The bearer has declared Cromwell's goodness in remembering the arrearages that were hanging upon them. Beg remembrance; as they live in dread, for there is a process in the Exchequer against them.† If the matter were at a good point, they would go forward, as they promised, with the fortification of the town. Southampton, 11 November.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* Mayor of Hampton.

11 Nov. **1057.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE, JOHN PAKYNGTON, JOHN VERNON, and RIC. HASSALL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

In the matter between the earl of Worcester and lord Ferrers for the stewardship of Arustley and Kevylyock; upon the King's pleasure, in Cromwell's letters by the King's messenger signified to them, to attend the decision of this Council 10 November, Lord Ferrers appeared, but the Earl sent letters of excuse by his chaplain, enclosed, together with his chaplain's credence. Could do nothing as the Earl did not appear. Desire to know the King's further pleasure by the bearer. One Pier Andre of Avero in Portingale is in ward, at lord Ferrers' command, in Pembroke Castle, for treasonable words. Have directed the King's letters to Ferrers or his deputies, the sheriff of Pembroke and the mayor of Tenbye, to bring up the said Pier and arrest his ship and goods. Shrewisbury, 11 November. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal.

R. O.

2. Copy of a letter from H. earl of Worcester to the president of the Council in the Marches of Wales.

Received, by the King's messenger, my lord Privy Seal's letters, commanding him to appear before them the 10 November. On Saturday, 3 November, was sore diseased in his head and on Sunday worse, so that his

* This and the next letter are printed consecutively in Cranmer's Works as if they were both written on the same day in 1537; which is impossible, Forde and Lambeth being more than a day's journey apart. Nor is it certain that either of them is of the precise year 1537. From a comparison of the clerk's hand and Cranmer's signature in different years, this letter might with great probability be assigned to the year 1535; at which date also we find Dr. Snede mentioned as vicar of Rye in the Valor Eccl. I. 345. But in the uncertainty of dates we leave these two letters in the order in which they have been printed.

† *See* L. Tr. Rem. Memoranda Rolls of Exch., 30 Hen. VIII., rot. 4.

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physician, supposing he has fallen into the new ague now reigning in these parts, wills him to keep close. Desires pardon for his appearance for 14 days and credence for his servant the bearer. Tyntern, 5 November.

Note added by Bishop Lee:—Delivered to me 8 November, 29 Hen. VIII., by Wm. Nelson the Earl's chaplain, who declared that the Earl would be content that the Council should appoint an indifferent person to hold court in Arustley and Kevylyock in the meantime. Mr. Nelson would not take it on his credence that the Earl was diseased as above written. If Ferrers had kept his promise to put out Hugh ap David Lewys and David Lloid ap Robert from that office the Earl would have kept *his* promise to Ferrers. *Signed:* Roland Co. et Lich.—John Pakyngton—John Vernon—Richard Hassall.

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R. O. 3. James Baskervile to his father-in-law [Lord Ferrers].*

On the last of October in Pembroke, a wretch, born in Portugal, named Peyr Andrewe, spoke seditious words against the King and Queen. He was challenged by Thomas Morice, brought before the writer, Mr. Peryent the King's auditor, and Henry Catherne of Pryndegast, and, as he did not deny the charge, committed to gaol. Would have informed the commissioners of the Marches but thought it sufficient discharge to have advertised "your good lordship," now in these parts. Pembroke, All Hallo'n day.

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ii. Examination of Pyer Andre of Avero before James Baskervile, John Peryent, and Henry Catherne.

The last day of October, 29 Henry VIII., Thos. Morice, merchant, being expert in the language of Portyngale, in the house of Thomas Thomas at Pembroke, heard the accused, who had arrived in a ship called the *Trinity*, say the King was married to a "villain's blood." Which words he did not deny but said he spake them in jape.

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These copies are authenticated as read before the undersigned on the 11th Nov. *Signed:* "Roland Co. et Lich.," "John Pakyngton," "John Vernon," "Richard Hassall."

Endd.: From the lord President and Council in the Marches of Wales, 11 November.

R. O. 4. Order of the Council of the Marches made at Shrewsbury, 10 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., that a letter be sent to James Baskervile, deputy steward of Pembroke, commanding him to deliver the body of Pier Andre of Avero to John Phillips, Esq., sheriff of Pembroke to be brought before this Council on a charge of treason; and to send the depositions of the witnesses.

Another letter to be sent to the sheriff, commanding him to receive the body, and another to the mayor of Tenby, to arrest the ship and goods of the said Pier.

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11 Nov. **1058.** The Town of Bourbourg (?) to Lord Lisle.

R. O. We have today received your letters complaining that one Philip Rapeghier, of this town, has taken a goshawk from one of your servants, and kept it two days, forcing him to spend 2 cr. in complaining to you. If your servant had called Rapeghier before us we would have done justice. But he has promised to write to you and to show reasons for what he has done, which he hopes will satisfy you. Bourb., 11 Nov. '37.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

* James (afterwards Sir James) Baskervile married Katharine, daughter of Walter lord Ferrers. *See* Dugdale, II. 177.

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11 Nov. **1059.** PHILIPPE RAPEGHIER to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I am informed by the burgomaster and échevins of this town of Broucbr' that you have written to them complaining of wrong done by me to one who called himself your servant about a goshawk he gave me. The facts are that I was at Gravelines bridge, in the passage between Artois and Flanders, as a servant of the Emperor, and in returning home I met two men, the one English and the other Brabançon, laden with hawks, such as "oultors, tyrceles daultoir, tyrceles de faulcon, esmeryllons et aultres." I offered to buy one of him (the Englishman) in presence of some honest men, for an angelot, but he refused. I then asked for his passport from the grand falconer. He had none, nor any letters showing that he was your servant; on which I told him that I seized all his birds as confiscated. Next day the lord confirmed the confiscation, and the Englishman promised me a goshawk if I could procure leave of the lord for him to go away with the others. When I had done this, he gave me a goshawk in the market place, and asked me for a piece of silver. I gave him a florin, "de ryder de Gheldre," and to the Brabanson a "solz de gros," that is, a piece called stryckelborg, and two Flemish *solz*. I think he did wrong to complain. Broucbr', 11 Nov. 1537.

I am sorry I could not send back the hawk when I knew it was yours, for it died, refusing to eat.

Hol., Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

12 Nov. **1060.** QUEEN JANE SEYMOUR.

Heralds' College MS. I. 11, f. 37. A remembrance of the interment of Queen Jane, mother of Edward VI., who died at Hampton Court, 24 Oct., on Wednesday about 12 p.m., in child-bed, 29 Henry VIII.

Immediately upon this heavy news the King ordained the duke of Norfolk, High Marshal, and Sir Wm. Pawlet, Treasurer of the Household, to see to her burial; and he himself retired to a solitary place to pass his sorrows. The aforesaid councillors then sent for Garter and other of the Office of Arms to show precedents. First the wax-chandler did his office, taking out the entrails "with searing, balming, spicing, and trammeling in cloth," then the plumber leaded, soldered, and chested; and her entrails were honourably interred in the chapel. Friday, 26 Oct., there was provided in the chamber of presence a hearse with 24 tapers about it, &c., and the corpse conveyed, in honourable wise, from the place where she died, and laid beneath the hearse. All the ladies and gentlewomen "put off their rich apparel, doing on their mourning habit and white kerchers hanging over their heads and shoulders," and there knelt about the hearse during mass afore noon and *Dirige* after; there was also a watch kept nightly until the last day of the month.

On Wednesday, the vigil of All Saints, the great chamber and galleries leading to the chapel, and the chapel, were hung with black cloth and garnished with rich images. In the chapel was prepared a hearse, garnished with 8 banner-rolls of descents *i.e.* of the King, Queen, Prince, York, Normandy, Guienne, Ireland and Cornwall with "rachments and majestye." The same afternoon the corpse was conveyed to the chapel, the King's officers and servants standing in double rank from the chamber to the chapel with torches, not lighted, whilst the bp. of Carlisle, her almoner, assisted by the bp. of Chichester, dean of the Chapel and the subdean, entered the chamber and did the ceremonies, as sensing with holy water and *De profundis*. That done, torches were lighted and the procession formed; first the cross with priests, two and two, then gentlemen, esquires, pursuivants and heralds, then the noblemen, then Garter, then the earl of Rutland, the Queen's chamberlain, and duke of Norfolk, then the corpse, then the chief mourner, the lady Marquis of Exeter "in place of the lady Mary as then accrased assisted by two noblemen as earls," then 8 noble ladies, mourners. The

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corpse being received in the chapel by the prelates and placed under the hearse, Lancaster Herald said, with a loud voice, "Of your charity pray for the soul" &c. (*words quoted*). Then *Dirige* was sung and all departed to the Queen's chamber. Watch was kept every night in the chapel by priests, gentlemen-ushers and officers of arms who, in the morning, early, were relieved by ladies and went to breakfast, which was provided "as two chines of beef with bread ale and wine thereto sufficient." Then began *Laudes;* and at 9 a.m. the lady Mary, chief mourner, and the others proceeded to the chapel. Thursday, 1 Nov., was the offering mass (*described*) at which everyone offered a piece of gold. Then after dinner and consultation with the cofferer and other chief clerks of the Household about the provision to be made, *Dirige* was solemnly sung by the bishop of Chichester. On Friday, 2 Nov., the abbot of St. Albans said mass and conducted the service; Saturday, 3 Nov., the abbot of Waltham did execute; Sunday, 4 Nov., the abbot of Reading; Monday, 5 Nov., the abbot of Stratford. On Tuesday, 6 Nov., were 3 solemn masses, (1) by the abbot of Tower Hill at which were the chief mourner, the countess of Rutland and other ladies, 9 in all, the train borne by Mrs. Bassett: (2) by the abbot of Westminster (attended by the chief mourner, countess of Oxford and others): (3) by the bishop of St. Tasse, abbot of Bramsey (attended by the chief mourner, lady marquis of Exeter, countess of Rutland and Sussex and others; the train borne by lady Coffyn).

On the 7th Nov. the bp. of Rochester officiated, 8 Nov. the bp. of Lincoln, 9 Nov. the abbot of Tower Hill, 10 Nov. the bp. of Carlisle. Sunday 11 Nov. were three solemn masses by the abbots of Stratford and Westminster and the bishop of Chichester.

Monday, 12 Nov., the corpse was removed to a chair drawn by six chariot horses, and four banners were borne by four barons (*not named*). Banners (*described*) were also borne by Chester, Windsor, Richmond, and Lancaster heralds, by Sir Thos. Denys, Gregory Crumwell, Sir Wm. Godolphyn, Sir John Sandes, Ric. Crumwell and Ric. Manners. Assistants about the corpse and chair:—Duke of Suffolk, Marquis Dorset, and earls of Surrey, Westmorland, Wiltshire and Sussex. To the chief mourner:—lords Montague and Clifford. Gentlemen-ushers:—Hen. Webbe and Thos. Dauncy. Henchmen that sat upon the chariot horses:—Thos. Kempe, Robt. Turwytt, Bennet Lee, and John Hastynges. Officers of arms in attendance:—Garter and Clarencieux, kings; York, Chester, Windsor, Richmond, Lancaster and Somerset, heralds; Portcullis, Bluemantle, Rougedragon, Guisnes, Hammes, Berwick and Blaunchlyon, pursuivants. Serjeants-at-arms:—Wm. Rowte, John Gwillm, Walt. Chalcote, Thos. Dawtry, Wm. Uxley, Geo. Warrenne, Ric. Raynshowe, Wm. Clerke, John Stoner, Ralph Framyngham, John Greefelde, Ralph Saintjohn, John up Richards, Edw. Slegge, Nic. Jacsoune. Everything being in order the procession started, Gregory Lovell and Robt. Hawkes leading the way, with black staves, followed by 200 poor men wearing the Queen's badges, who at Colbrooke, Exton (*sic*, Eton), and Windsor stood on each side of the street with their torches. Then came minstrels and trumpets, strangers and ambassadors' servants, the cross with priests, knights, chaplains, abbots, barons and bishops, councillors and head officers, viscounts and earls. Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal with the French ambassador Mons. de Schatelon. The lord Chancellor with the ambassador of the Emperor "last come." The cross of the archbishop of Canterbury borne before him by his chaplain; and he himself with the Emperor's ambassador "longest being here." Then Clarencieux and Garter, the Queen's almoner, the chamberlains to the King and Queen, the earl of Oxford, High-Chamberlain, the duke of Norfolk, High-Marshal. Then the corpse surrounded by banners borne by Sir Wm. Muschame, lord Hungerford, lord Mordaunt, lord Bray and lord Mountjoy; assisted by the earls of Sussex and Westmorland, marquis Dorset, the earls of Wiltshire and Surrey and duke of Suffolk. Then my lady Mary, chief mourner,

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her horse trapped in black velvet and assisted by lords Clifford and Montague. Noble ladies following, in the first chair:—Lady Fraunces, the countesses of Oxford, Rutland, Sussex, Bath, and Southampton, and lady Margaret Howard. In the 2nd (*described*) the countess of Derby, widow, and ladies Margaret Gray, Rochford, and Carowe, followed by ladies Morley, Dawbeney, Dudley, Owtred, Browne, Pawlet, Russell, and Baynton. The 3rd chair containing ladies Cobham, Bray, Kingston, and Coffyn; followed by ladies Knevet, Wollope, Henage, and Lyster, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Jernyngham, Mrs. Stoner, and Mrs. Francis Aylmer. The 4th chair containing Mrs. Souche, Mrs. Hollande, Mrs. Asheley, Mrs. Norres, and Mrs. Parre; and followed by Mrs. Darcy, Mrs. Pexsall, Mrs. Clarencieux, Mrs. Carowe, Mrs. Poyntes, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Boynton, and Mrs. Tymeo. The 5th chair containing Mrs. Fitzherbart, Mrs. Bassett, Mrs. Rastall, Mrs. Uxbryge, and Mrs. Joscelyn. (All other gentlewomen rode on before to await the arrival at Windsor, and the start was to be made at 5 a.m.) After the 5th chariot came Sir Wm. Kingston, the King's vice-chamberlain and captain of the Guard, followed by the Guard—three and three—and all other noblemen's servants. Two almoners were appointed to distribute alms by the way. At Colbroke the corpse was reverently received; and so forth at Eaton, where the bp. of Lincoln, the bp. of Carlisle "provost of the said college," and all the priests, clerks, and children received it with caps and tapers in their hands. At Windsor the mayor and brethren met it at the bridge-foot with lighted torches, and so passed to the College. Describes the hangings on the way from the bridge-foot to the west door and in the choir. The dean of Windsor and all the College met the corpse at the utter gate, and accompanied it to the west door, where the chair was taken out and borne by Sir Henry Savyll, Sir Marm. Constable, Sir Arthur Darcy, Sir John St. John, Sir Henry Parker, Sir Thos. Poyninges, and Sir Thos. Darcy, assisted by Sir Humph. Radclyff, Sir John Gage, Sir Ric. Weston, and Sir Ric. Sandys. A canopy (*described*) was borne over the corpse by Lord Hastyngs, son and heir to the earl of Huntingdon, and lords Delaware, Morley, Dacres of the South, Cobham and Bray. In the choir was the archbishop of Canterbury, *in pontificalibus*, assisted by the bishops of London, Lincoln, Chichester, Worcester, Rochester, St. Taxe (St. Asaph), and Carlisle, and the abbots of Westminster, St. Albans, Reading, Waltham, Tower Hill, and Stratford. The chief mourner followed the corpse, having her train borne by the viscountess Rochforde, and assisted by lady Fraunces, the countesses of Oxford, Derby (widow), Rutland, Bath, and Southampton, and lady Margaret Howard. The corpse being passed under the hearse, a *Dirige* began in which the lessons were read by the prelates in turn (*named*) and that finished, the nobility went to the Castle. Describes solemn watch that night and services next day, after which the "offering of the palles began" *i.e.*, ladies Bray, Dawbeney, Morley and Cobham offered one each, ladies Margaret Howard, and Marg. Gray two each, the countesses of Southampton, Bath, Sussex, Rutland, Oxford, and Derby three each, lady Fraunces four, and the lady Mary, who was lead between the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, seven. That done, the mourners went to the Castle where they were sumptuously provided for, and the corpse was solemnly buried and all finished by 12 o'clock that day.

ii. Liveries given to the officers of arms and payments for diets made to them by Mr. Gostwick.

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12 Nov. **1061.** Thos. Cromwell to [John] Babington.

Hist. MSS. Rutland Rep. I, 26.

Your brother Thos. Babington, son and heir of your late father, Sir Anth. Babington, agreed to an award made by Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, knight, and others, that Dame Katharine your late mother, should have the manor place of Kingston, Notts. with certain lands there, during her life and for a

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year after her decease, paying nothing for it, although your brother might have had 10*l.* year rent from it. I hear that you, being your mother's executor, have, during the said year after her decease, committed so great waste in the said manor place that 100*l.* would not restore it. You and your brother shall each take two honest and indifferent gentlemen to view the waste, and take such order thereupon, that your brother may have no cause to complain to me or the King's Council. London, 12 Nov.

Ibid., 27. 2. Answer of Thos. Babington, esq., to the demand of John Babington, esq., under 11 heads. Concerning "booles" at Ashover and River, smelting places, tools, lead, slag, and scraps. Mentions the award of Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, the will of Sir Anth. Babington, and other affairs of the family.

12 Nov. **1062.** HENRY POLSTED to [CROMWELL].

Cleop., E. IV., 233* B. M. This present Monday, the prior of Lewes has acknowledged a fine both of Lewes and Castellacre, though it is thought that the latter does not pass by the fine. It is now fully resolved that there shall be no such preamble to the deed. The prior affirmed that the duke of Norfolk promised him to have all the goods and one-half the debts of the monastery. I am sorry I did not come a little "rather" upon Sunday, that I might have spoken with your lordship in the premises. Pollard and I will be at Reigate tomorrow night, according to the duke's appointment. The Rolls, Monday, 12 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord my master.

12 Nov. **1063.** SIR J. RUSSELL AND THOMAS HENNEGE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Mr. Hynege and I have received your letter and shown it to the King; your lordship's suit is that the lords, after the business done at Windsor, may repair hither to see his Grace's health. His Grace is content they should come when you think convenient, and they shall be welcome. Westminster, 12 November. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* Sir John Russell.

12 Nov. **1064.** CHANCELLOR AND UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD to HENRY VIII.

Cleop. E. VI. 244. B. M. Strype's Eccl. Mem. I. II. 338. Wilkins, III. 839. Profuse praises of his work in the reformation of religion and his favour to the universities in having lately, by authority of Parliament,* pardoned to them the payment of first fruits and tenths. Beg him to put an end to their disputes with their neighbours and restore their privileges. Oxford, prid. Id. Nov.

Latin, pp. 2. *Add. at head.*

12 Nov. **1065.** DR. JOHN LONDON to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to Cromwell's letters he and his company have leased to Mr. Taylor the parsonage of Hornchurche, for ten years from Michaelmas A.D. 1542; and in the mean time will let him use the same quietly. Has some in his company who, in Cromwell's last request for Mrs. Cok, made all the stay they could. Wishes they were as studious as busy, and trusts, with his Lordship's assistance, to make them so. Will, at St. Alban's, accomplish Cromwell's pleasure for the Master of the Rolls and the prior. Oxon, 12 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* See Statute 27 Hen. VIII. c. 42. The letter is more probably of the year 1536 than 1537, but was overlooked in Vol. XI. Strype and Wilkins place it in 1538.

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12 Nov. **1066.** Dr. John London to Thomas Wriothesley.

R. O. I have done what I can to satisfy your desire for Mr. Knyght, but have certain in my house who tried to stay Mistress Cok's matter and so do in this. With your help I will watch my time to effect Mr. Knyght's purpose, and see whether, with my lord's assistance, I can turn their busy wits to learning. Oxon, 12 Novembris.

Have sent you a winter token.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Right Worshipful Master. *Endd.*

12 Nov. **1067.** Thomas Knyght to Cromwell.

R. O. On his last return from Cromwell he was thinking of the Queen's death and how good she must have been to leave such regret in the minds of all. Afterwards determined to write something *in mortis defensionem.* Has begun, though his means are too slender for the amplitude of the work. Sends some of it, which will show how he has been occupied, and hopes his patron will not despise his good mind. Oxon, 12 Novemb.

Hol., Latin, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

12 Nov. **1068.** Sir Wm. Parre and Ric. Throkmerton to Cromwell.

R. O. According to his letter of 26 Oct. sends an examination of the words spoken by John Newman and concealed by John Parke. Most of the witnesses affirm the articles in the bill to be true, saving that Wm. Davie now denies that he heard Newman speak such words, and says he confessed it for malice at the instance of Margaret Pere. The matter against both Newman and Parke appears to be maliciously contrived by her. They shall remain in surety until further orders. Brigstok, 12 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

ii. Examination, taken 22 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.

Sir John Harbrowne, parson of Newnton, Northants, deposes that John Parke, of Newnton, said to John Newman, on a Sunday before Michaelmas Day, at matins in the church: "Beware what thou sayest, for it is treason that thou speakest," but what the words were he cannot tell. Margaret Pere says that Newman said: "It is pity that the King was ever crowned, for we have had more pilling and polling since he was crowned than ever we had before, and it is pity that he hath lived so long."

Wm. Davy deposes that Newman said in the church, about the time of evensong, that "we had never goud hewsse sen the King was crowned King," and then John Parke said to him, "Beware what thou sayest, for thou speakest treason." John Parke says he never heard such words spoken, but about Midsummer John Hewet said at matins time that he heard say the leads of Buckingham church were valued. Harbrowne then said he heard at Heygham on the Saturday that Buckingham church was down. Then John Newman said: "God forbid that we should have any mo churches down." Then John Parke said to Newman: "Be contented, for the King is supreme head of the Church, and we must be ruled as it shall please the King to have us," adding: "Beware what thou speakest, for a little word is treason." All the tenants of Newnton say they never heard such words spoken as Margaret Pere has alleged, and that Wm. Davy was not in the church when this matter should be spoken. John Stretton, John Hewyet, William Rosse, Robarde and Ric. Pere, and John Graunt are bound for Newman and Parke.

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12 Nov. **1069.** WILLIAM POPLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Since coming to these parts, by exercise, he has recovered health. Is grieved that some men say he departed from Cromwell without licence, and is no longer his Lordship's servant. Asked his fellow Carleton to inform Cromwell, and Carleton wrote his Lordship's pleasure was for Popley to do as he thought best for his health. Begs his Lordship to take no displeasure. Will return to his duty. Bristow, 12 November.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Nov. **1070.** LISLE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Four days past Sir Robert Wyngfylde caused the water-bailey Cockson to be served with a *subpœna*, which I enclose, begging your favour for him as you know he is impotent and aged and this process is only out of malice; for Cockson did nothing but according to the King's commission. I beg you to excuse him if he do not now appear, and if he must come over, to defer the matter to the spring. I send the declaration and the arrest done by the vice-bailey of Guisnes against the said Cockson and others. Calais, 12 Nov.

I assure your lordship Cockson is not guilty of what is laid to his charge. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 Nov. **1071.** THOMAS WASSHINGTON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Requests him to see the bearer Wm. Pery, paid 14*l.* 12*s.* 6*g.* (*sic*) for velvet sent by the writer more than a year past. Antwerp, 12 Nov. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

12 Nov. **1072.** GUILLAUME LE GRAS to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I wrote lately to my lord Deputy in answer to one from my lord and you instructing me to put Master James to the College, and in some place where he would be well treated. I accordingly found a very honest man at the College of Navarre, who has agreed to take him with him in his chamber. He is very fortunate in being with such a person. A son of General Preudhomme will be his compànion, and he will have a servant whom he has always had in my house to attend to him in his studies. It will cost 26 cr. for his board and 18 cr. for that of his servant, and further 25 cr. for the room and firewood. It is a good deal of money, but, I think, well bestowed. The person who takes him does so more for the hope of your friendship than for the money. I have done everything by the advice of Master Bequanssal.

I sent you lately the account for your son amounting to 123*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* for which sum Verdun Labbe has written to me that you have delivered to him 48½ cr. of the sun, and 2 angels, which he has sent; but they only amount to 116*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Tournois, the crown being here worth 45 sch. and the angel 70 sch. The balance I shall add to the new account for your son, but do not forget to send him some sprats for the coming Lent, because he does not like the fish here. My wife thanks you for the gold ring you sent her. Paris, 12 Nov. 1537.

Hol., Fr., 2, *pp.* 2. *Add.*

R. O. 2. Account of expenses paid for Mr. James Basset, son of the Deputy of Calais, from 19 Dec. 1536 to Oct. 1537.

For an escritoire and paper, for violet camlet for a gown, for the making of hose, for making and the furring of his camlet gown, for shoes and slippers, for money delivered to him to pay "a lescolle descripre quil fut Roy." For velvet bonnets, leather shoes, a book of hours (*pour unes heures*), to Mons.

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de Bosons for three months' instruction in writing, for a trunk to put his clothes in, to Mons. Benard for teaching him dancing, for shirts, for black and violet taffetas, to Mons. Pierre, dean of the College of Bayeux, for his expenses for two months and a half when he breakfasted and dined at the college. Total 128 *livres* 8 *sous* 2 *deniers*, amounting to 12*l.* 17*s.* at the rate of 9 livres 12*s.* Tournois to the pound sterling.

(*In a different hand.*) Received by me Verdun Labbe, 5 Nov. 1537.

Fr., pp. 3. *In the hand of Guillaume le Gras. Endd. in the same hand.*

1073. ELIZABETH BURGH* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is prematurely delivered of a child, and in danger of losing it after her great travail. The gentleman and his wife, with whom she stays, who is a kinsman of her husband, wrote to him of her own and the child's danger, desiring him to come and see it, that he might have no cause of jealousy against her, seeing that the child, by the proportions of his body, was born long before the time. Has many witnesses who have seen the child, yet my lord his father says it is none of her husband's, and makes him absent himself from her. Begs Cromwell's mediation. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The lady Burgh.

13 Nov. **1074.** ELIZABETH BURGH* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Complains of the trouble she is put to by lord Burgh, who always lies in wait to put her to shame. Is not yet out of danger from her travail, being still as a prisoner, comfortless. Hears that lord Burgh has complained of her to the Council, declaring that her child is not his son's. Nothing but the power of God has preserved his life; begs Cromwell will prevent it being disinherited. Her husband dare do nothing but as his father will have him. Langley Lodge, 13 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

13 Nov. **1075.** TUNSTALL to HENRY VIII.

Titus B. I. 121. B. M. Burnet, VI. 196. The news of the Queen's death has caused all men to lament, especially considering that the Prince is left an orphan. Addresses various arguments to Henry out of Scripture for his consolation. York, 13 Nov. *Hol.*

13 Nov. **1076.** TUNSTALL and the COUNCIL OF THE NORTH to [HENRY VIII.].

R. O. Have held an "oyer determiner" and a gaol delivery here at York. Four persons have been executed, two for money making, and two for messages brought from the rebels in Scotland. One of these was committed to ward by Norfolk, accused by the minister of St. Robert of Knaresborough, and the other, by means of the said minister, attached by Thos. Slyngesby. He appeared to be a seditious young vagabond, minding by false tales to move the people to new commotion. Have sat here for two months, occupied, among other things, in restitutions of spoils done in the late commotion. Norfolk did something in this matter, but people daily complain, as they come to know in whose hands their goods are. Sir Reynold Carnaby, keeper of Tyndale, has informed them that Wm. Charleton, whom he put in possession of the house and tower of Hasilside in place of the rebel Edw. Charleton, has fled for fear, and Edward's folks keep possession. Have therefore ordered him to recover the house and put his own folks in it.

Two friars Observants, converses and not priests, being of those who entered into the Grey Friars' house at Newcastle at the time of the late

* Wife of Sir Thos. Burgh, the son of lord Burgh. *See* Vol. VIII., No. 597 *note.* She was a daughter of Sir David Owen. *See* Dugdale II. 289.

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commotion and were expelled by Norfolk and ordered to go to Scotland, whence they came, are attached at Barney Castle by Robt. Bowys. They have confessed that they came back to England on account of the misery and penury they sustained in Scotland. They will acknowledge the King's supremacy. Desires to know his pleasure by the bp. of Llandaff the bearer. Their names are Thos. Danyell, of Devonshire, professed at Canterbury, and Henry Bukkery, a lay brother not professed, born at Old Lynne.

At this oyer determiner, lords Cumberland, Dacres, Scrope, and others have well demeaned themselves. Cumberland and Dacre were very familiar together, to the rejoicing of all men. Advise the King to leave enough lead belonging to the religious houses here to cover Pountfrette and Shireffhoton castles and other his houses in the North; 32 fother will suffice for the two. Have just received two commissions, one for hearing causes, in which the name of Thos. Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, is inserted, and another to Tunstall, which he will keep secret, according to the lord Privy Seal's letters. York, 13 Nov. *Signed:* Cuthbert Duresme—Robt. Llandaff—T. Magnus—Thomas Tempest—Robert Bowis—William Babthorp—Robt. Chaloner—Ric. Bellyses—Jo. Uvedale.

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13 Nov. **1077.** TUNSTALL to [CROMWELL].

R. O. St. P. v. 122.

We have written to the King of our sitting of *oyer determiner* here. Give credence to my lord of Llandaff, who was present at all our doings. He is a meet man to serve the King here, and it is a comfort to have so wise a man to ask advice of. We have all desired him to show our ordering of the pledges of Tyndall and Reddysdale, who are boarded here at a serjeant's house, and must show themselves every day to the sheriffs of the town and to us when we come abroad. Those for Tyndall are two of the most active men of all Tyndall, John Robson, of the False Stayn, and Gybbe of Charleton, who both promised my lord of Norfolk to do much against the rebels; but now when the time is to do it they are sent hither by Sir Reynold Carnabye's letters to relieve the other pledges for a season, according to custom. Blamed the bringer of them, Carnabye's servant, that his master should have sent these two, who should have been at home to resist the coming in of the rebels; but was told that if those and other head men were away, the country would be better ruled. Thinks they have offered themselves as pledges to be quit of their promise to the duke of Norfolk. After this full moon the outlaws will be busy, and Mr. Carnaby promised when here to do his best against them.

The pledges should lie henceforth at Newcastle, 18 miles from their county; for in coming hither they learn all the byeways of the country, and are emboldened to steal, knowing which way to escape. Will take them to Newcastle at our going, and leave them there.

Would know the King's pleasure touching the two friars Observants mentioned in their letter to the King. They might be received to mercy, as they now forsake their former obstinacy. Their return without licence or pardon after being commanded by the King's lieutenant to avoid the realm, is another fault. If they be received to mercy, others will follow them. Amongst the spoils are two sorts. (1.) In the second rebellion in Westmoreland those who were arrayed against the King were spoiled by the King's army before the King's lieutenant was sure of the victory. Such persons should repute their pardon more than full restitution. (2.) Spoils made by rebels upon true subjects and upon each other; in which cases we compel restitution. Have sat at York to order matters left unfinished at Norfolk's sudden departure; but will forbear hereafter to sit "within the term" unless in case of riots, albeit spoils may not be deferred. Sir George Lawson has viewed the King's stuff left at Sheriffhutton by Norfolk.

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1077. TUNSTALL to [CROMWELL]—*cont.*

Sends inventory by bearer. The King's officer should sell the worst of it; "for clowting of it will be some charge, and such stuff is not meet to be in a King's wardrobe." Norfolk has an indenture of me for the whole, and those who sell it must discharge me of what shall be sold. Sir Thomas Curwen, keeper of Sheriffhutton, has the custody of it. York, 13 Nov.

P.S.—Here arrived two commissions and two letters from your lordship, one to me and the other to us all. I will keep secret the commission for levying the people. I am glad Mr. Fairfax is remembered with his fee and put in our commission. All in these parts are marvellous sorry for death of the Queen. *Added in his own hand:* I have written to the King partly to comfort him, being his servant and chaplain. "I durst not dilate the matter too long lest thereby I might rub too sore upon a green wound." *Signed.*

13 Nov. **1078.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. v. 121.

Congratulating him on the birth of his son as reported by his letters dated Hampton Court 23 Oct. Linlithgow Palace, 13 Nov., 25 James V. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Touching the birth of Prince Edward.

13 [Nov.] **1079.** QUEEN MARGARET to HENRY VIII.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 105. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 45.

Rejoices that he has a prince. Hopes he is informed both by her own writings sent with the herald Master Svallo and the information sent to Sir Tomas Qwarton, how she is treated. Trusts Henry will not let her be wronged daily. Would sooner be dead than remain in such trouble as she has been in since Master Sadler's departure. Desires only to "brwk" her lands given her by the King her father and confirmed by the three estates of this realm; of which she is only debarred by lord Meffen. Has her sentence of divorce ready to be pronounced written and concluded with forty "famos prewes" (proofs), but the King her son supports Meffen, as her husband, in possession of her lands. When she passed to her land the forest of Ettrick the King her son accused her of intending to marry "him that was earl of Angus," which Henry knows she had never a mind to do. Her son will only let her "depart bed and bwred," which is unjust, and fears she will pass into England. Trusts Henry will for his own honor refuse redress on the Borders till she has her due. Is now 49 years old and should not travel like a poor gentlewoman, following her son from place to place as she has done for 20 weeks past. 13 Oct.*

Hol., pp. 5. *Add.*

14 Nov. **1080.** ROBERT LOWNDE'S WILL.

R. O.

Inhibition to John London, LL.D., the King's visitor in Lincoln diocese, at the suit of Richard Clerk and Agnes his wife, who have appealed against his decision touching certain legacies in the will of Robert Lownde, the parties being summoned to appear at St. Paul's on Thursday, 17 Jan. Dated 14 Nov. 1537, 29 Henry VIII.

Latin. Copy, large paper, pp. 2.

14 Nov. **1081.** RICHARD WHARTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Begging him to accept, as a remembrance, —— (*blank*) cranes, 12 pheasants, and 24 partridges; with thanks for past kindness. From my poor house, 14 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Evidently a mistake for November.

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14 Nov. **1082.** TUNSTALL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks him to give orders for the payment of the stipends of the two chantry priests, schoolmasters of the grammar school and song school in Durham, for the maintenance of which land was given to Gervaux Abbey, the copies of the grants being entered in Mr. Pollard's books. York, 14 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Nov. **1083.** RIC. BELLYCYS to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. iv. 241. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 164. I have taken down all the lead of Jervaxe and made it in half fodders, 365 fodders in all. It cannot be carried till next summer, the ways are so foul in winter. I am minded to let the house stand till the spring as the days are now so short. I cannot sell the bells above 15*s.* the "hundrethe." Shall I sell them at that or send them to London? The carriage to the water would be costly. As for Byrdlington, I spare it till next March as the days are now so short. York, 14 Nov. *Signed.*

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14 Nov. **1084.** HONOR LADY LISLE to the COUNTESS OF SUSSEX.

R. O. Commendations to my lord and you. I have received your letter and perceive your sorrow for the death of the Queen, yet her Grace was fortunate to live the day to bring forth such a prince. I perceive my lord and you have taken my daughter Anne until, by your good suit, she may obtain place again. If she cannot I will send for her and recompense your charges. I did not send them to put you or any of my kin to charge, but to have them with the Queen. Where you write that but for your great charge of kin and other gentlewomen you would have taken Kateryn too; it was never my mind to put you to any charge, yet if I were in England and you sent me even three or four I would accept them. I pray you prefer Anne because she was sworn to the late Queen. Where it has pleased my lord of Rutland and my lady at your suit to take Kateryn for the time, I trust they shall be no losers. "Very glad to hear of your great belly, beseeching God to make you a joyous mother." As shortly as I can I will send you your own, with some good wine which I trust ye shall have three weeks before Christmas. Calais, 14 Nov.

If my niece Staynyng will take the pain to come over here she shall be welcome and her woman with her. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lady of Sussex.

14 Nov. **1085.** TIMBER OF WINCHELSEA.

R. O. Notarial certificate touching the finding, between Ostende and Walrauezyde (?) in Flanders, of some timber of Winchelsea, from a ship of Will. Pieterson of Der Gawe (Gouda) which was wrecked after St. Martin's day. 14 Nov. 1537.

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14 [Nov.] **1086.** QUEEN MARGARET OF SCOTLAND to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. v. 115. I thank you for your writing by the King my brother's servant and for the joyful tidings that God has sent him a prince. Complains of her ill treatment and begs Cromwell's help. Desires her letters to the King and him to be kept secret. 14 October (*sic*). *Signature cut off.*

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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14 Nov. **1087.** JOHN MASON to CROMWELL.

R. O. On 12 Nov., I received a packet of letters for England from Mr. Wyatt, directed to my lord of Winchester, which, as my lord was far from hence, I retained here, thinking that in 2 or 3 days I should be able to carry them myself. Being yet sick, I send them by this messenger, trusting, within 5 days, to follow him. Lyons, 14 November.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[14 Nov.] **1088.** JOHN FREDERIC DUKE OF SAXONY to HENRY VIII.

Corpus Reform. III. 448. Has seen his refusal of the Council because, among other reasons, the tyranny and impiety of the bishop of Rome being so manifest, it is not to be expected that in his Council his unjust power and the abuses which he defends will be abrogated. Rejoices that Henry's opinion is so like his own. It is evident that the Council is summoned only as a pretext to move the kings to defend papal authority; but nothing is more honourable to kings than to use their influence to the glory of God. If the bishop of Rome sees opportunity he will hold a council to establish his unjust power, and therefore it behoves them to deliberate together. Asks whether Henry will consent to a common deliberation.

Sends by bearer a copy of his own refusal (*nostrae Recusationis*) of the Council. Is well aware of the danger he incurs in making it, but is bound by duty to the universal Church. Explains delay in sending it.

Lat. Draft by Melanchthon.

14 Nov. **1089.** JOHN FREDERIC DUKE OF SAXONY and PHILIP LANDGRAVE OF HESSE to HENRY VIII.

Corpus Reform. III. 448 *note.* For many weighty causes, they have decided to write to the King once more, in proof of their regard for him. They and their allies in the cause of religion knew, by that ample legation of learned men which Henry sent to them two years ago, and who conferred for some time with the duke of Saxony, his desire to restore the true worship of God and take away the impiety, tyranny and abuses of the bishop of Rome. How he perseveres in that object is shown by a certain writing he has issued about the suspect and deceitful Council indicted by pope Paul, a copy of which, printed in Germany, they have seen with pleasure. His piety and zeal are applauded throughout Germany by all students of sincere religion.

Rejoice that their replies to the Nuncio and the Imperial ambassador, at their diet last Lent at Smalcald, agree with his opinion. His counsel at that time would have been grateful to them. Have heard he was somewhat displeased that they did not write to him of their decision concerning the Council. At Smalcald they debated how soonest this decision might be sent to the kings and princes and concluded, as the 23 May was so near, and there was no time to send special messengers, that trustworthy merchants in the confederate cities should be asked to send letters to their agents in other countries. Entrusted those for him to the senate of Hamburg, which city has almost daily commerce with England; and in so doing they never thought to displease him.

Undoubtedly the Pope will, at the first opportunity, hold a council to establish his tyranny—indeed some report that it is already indicted for Vicenza; but Henry will know better than they. In view of this it is very important that they should deliberate in common. Ask to know his views that they may debate thereupon at their next diet. 14 Nov. 1537.

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15 Nov. **1090.** SIR THOS. PALMER to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have received your two letters concerning Thos. Appowell, with whom your Lordship is displeased because he would not take a groat a day,

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which many in Calais think is more than he deserves. The King and his Council think he deserves 8*d.* a day, or they would not have written for him, and in demanding it he did not usurp upon your Lordship's grant, for the King gave it him before your time. I could not counsel him to take a groat myself, for I give him sixpence a day, which he would have to give up. I did not counsel him to refuse it, to make you incur the penalty of your obligation, for I thought on his going over you would have given him no less than the King had done by his letters, and also my lord Privy Seal and my lord Admiral, and I thought you would have done no less for him even for my sake. He and I both were blamed by the King's Council because we consented that Pole had the last 8*d.*, and on your promise I took your bill of assurance of the next 8*d.* as a remembrance, not expecting you would give me cause to show it. Your Lordship writes somewhat sharply that if I do my worst you will dally with me one year ere I recover anything of you, but although I have not yet put it in execution nor in suit, I would not your Lordship should trust too much your dalliance to do me any wrong. For I would do your Lordship no displeasure whereby the King's law should be stopped. As to your threat to recompense me according to my deserts, I trust you will handle me no otherwise. London, 15 Nov. *Signed.*

P.S. in his own hand. I think Vekars will have it and put us both aside. I do believe your Lordship did not do me this displeasure of yourself, for I never deserved it, nor will do, and they that caused you to do it owe you less good will than I.

Pp. 3. *Add.*: Deputy of Calais.

1091. Sir Thos. Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Your guns and harness have been here four or five days, and I have had them cleaned as they were wet on the sea. I have caused the maker to remain here, so that, when your Lordship sees them shot, if any break or miscarry it may be to his charge. There are 56 almain rivets, for which he wants a crown apiece, and 30 gorgets at the same price and a pair of curets for a horseman and a gorget and a pair of splints for 7*s.* 6*d.* I would have waited upon your Lordship but have a disease in my head at times, so that I cannot well stand. I beg your favour for the bearer Thomas Apowell. My lord Deputy is not so good to him, in spite of your letter and the King's signed bill and special letter and two or three special letters of your Lordship's in his behalf. If you knew him you would say it was great wrong that he had not his room according to the King's gift. Thomas Jones, for whom your Lordship wrote, has his room. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*: Lord Privy Seal.

15 Nov. **1092.** Sir Godfrey Foljambe.

Add. MS. 6668, f. 391. B. M. Receipt by Sir Godfrey Foljambe of Walton, by the hands of Wm. Wylde, his deputy, of 4*l.* 5*s.* from John Poole for his "coope tayle" due at Michaelmas last. 15 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

15 Nov. **1093.** Archbishop Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. At Whitsuntide was twelvemonth you gave me as ample commission for my jurisdiction as ever I had. Lately I wrote for your pleasure concerning two monasteries of nuns, being void, as they stood in danger of the Act of Suppression and had no confirmation of the King. I now understand that two commissions be come down for elections in the said monasteries and confirmations of the same. I beg you to consider that I have cure of the said houses and must answer to our Lord for them, and therefore should have some say in the election of their governors. Confirmation is an act of

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1093. Archbishop Lee to Cromwell—*cont.*

commission of cure of souls, which cure "should be committed by me that have cure of their souls." I beg that I may have the oversight and confirmation of the elections; and if you will have anything done in them I will do my best to satisfy the King and you. I beg you remember my suits for preachers and residence of the church of York. "I have commanded all archdeacons to bring in bills of such as be able to preach within their archdeaconries. I find in the archdeaconry of Nottingham not one; in others very few." Men desire much to have the book of Catechism last set forth by the King; and I would command every curate to have one, but here are none or few. Desires licence for some printer in York to print them. Cawod, 15 Nov. 1537. *Signed:* "Edouarde Ebor."

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **1094.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. Has sent his servant, Rob. Browne, the book of instructions, signed by the King, which, for the coming of Mr. Sulyarde and others, must be renewed. Begs Cromwell to have only learned men appointed. The commissions, copies whereof are with the clerk of the Crown, and the warrant for their diets, which is with Sir Brian Tuke, must also be renewed. Prays that he may be paid by some other man, for it now costs him 20*l.* a year, Tuke having 5*l.*, his clerk 26*s.* 8*d.*, and the writer's servant seven or eight weeks tarrying for it. Wishes the sum increased, as the Council are not able to gratify the gentlemen of the country except at the table; for instance, he is now at Wigmore for a gaol delivery, with Sir Edward Crofte, Mr. Pakington, and Mr. Vernon, and they and other loyal subjects must be entertained. There are nigh 40 prisoners. Hears nothing of Mr. Sulyarde, who shall be sure of two things, to have business at full, and, where heretofore great suit was made to him, now he must be a suitor himself. Wigmore, 15 November. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **1095.** Lord Edmund Howard to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for Cromwell's comfortable letter dated the 3rd inst., with thanks for the writer's poor present of hawks. Begs Cromwell's favour with the King in the suit contained in a bill which the bearer shall deliver. Asks for "nothing but that may ensue only upon casualties"; and such things are always asked by the King's servants, so that his Highness has little profit in them, as Mr. Fowler, the vice-treasurer here, can show. Cannot continue here without some augmentation of living. Calais, 15 Nov. 1537. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

15 Nov. **1096.** The Irish Commissioners to Cromwell.

R. O. Have surveyed most of the King's lands in Carlow, Kilkenny, Tip-
St. P. II. 517. perary, Waterford, Dublin, and Kildare, which are much wasted. Little suit is made for waste lands, but they have set garrisons. Would have finished the survey had not the Deputy, with advice of the Council, taken their men with him to expel Bryan Okonner from Offaly which he had falsely invaded. Parleyed with James of Desmond outside Clonmell without perceiving any towardness in him; but, 2 days after, his secretary came with his master's signet to conclude certain articles (copy enclosed),* saying his master had been afraid to proceed for fear of the captains of galloglasses with him.

* *See* No. 943; also No. 698 (2.).

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The King's causes in Parliament take good effect. Are now at the vice-treasurer's account, and afterwards will survey the residue of the King's lands. Have perceived divers things worthy reformation, but too tedious to write. Dublin, 15 Nov. *Signed.*

Add: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the above.

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1097. Castles in Ireland.

R. O. List of castles in Ireland to be guarded.

In Wexford bordering upon the Kavanaghs:—Old Rosse (*in marg.* Wm. Sayntclo), Dunschorthy, Fernys (*in marg.* Watkyn Appoylle), Arclow, [abbey of Duyske].* Carlow:—Leyglen Bridge, Duyske Abbey, Karlaghe, Cloughenogan, Clone More, Rawylle and Baltynglas Abbey. Kildare:—Athy and Woodstocke, Lee, Rath Chamgan, Keyscheboyne in Bermygam's country. Dublin:—Wyclow—where Thos. Stewynys, merchant of Dublin, is constable with 20 mks. fee and all profits "as yet,"—Bree, Powers-court, Holewodde. Meath:—Castell Jordan, Longzhenseude, Alone. Lowth:—Knockfergus, Sketrycke, lately won by John Prouse, Ardeglas, Dundrowm, lordships of Morne and May, Green Castle, and Karlyngforthe, "whereof Mr. Geram Lyn is constable, as I am informed." Tipperary:—Knockeraffyn, Castle Curre. Limerick;—Karge Ogaynyll, Adare, Crome. Waterford:—Dungarvan, whereof Ossory and lord Butler are constables with 100*l.* fee, "as I am informed."

Other castles, to me unknown, to be kept, at the discretion of the Commissioners. To part of the Castles substantial farmers should be appointed, putting the King to no great charge. Constables and garrisons should be English, and must be horsemen, to be able to defend the King's tenants about them.

Pp. 4. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **1098.** Francisco the Courier.

R. O. I, Arthur Noell, servant to my lord of Winchester, met with Francisco in Lyons, 15 Nov. last, and, knowing he was despatched into England, showed him that Mr. Mason, lying sick at the post's house, had received important letters from Spain for the King, and he, Francisco, should go for them. Told him this in my lord's house in presence of one Toft, servant to my lord, and again in his brother's house in presence of Stevins, my lord's tailor, and he promised to go; so I went and told Mr. Mason of it, who sat up in bed and wrote a short letter to my lord Privy Seal. Meanwhile Francisco took horse and was gone an hour and a half before Mr. Mason knew of his departure.

ii. Similar deposition by Walter Haws, gentleman to my lord of Winchester.

P 1. *In the handwritings of Nowell and Haws, and signed by them.* *Endd.:* The saying of Arthur Nowell, 15 Nov.

1099. Germayne [Gardiner] to Wriothesley.

R. O. I have given Henry Fraunces a long letter for you, which I am in doubt whether he will deliver, for during the short while he has tarried here he found means to make my lord more angry with me than ever he was in his life; "but with a letter (for my lord would not speak with me) I defeated his malice, and am in better case with my lord (I thank God and him) than

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1099. GERMAYNE [GARDINER] to WRIOTHESLEY—*cont.*

ever I was. And therefore, seeing the man hath done me good, I pray you be not angry with him for it; only keep him there if ye can, not for my cause whom he cannot hurt, but for many other men's whom he hurteth daily, for he cannot almost speak but evil." Sends this in Mr. Bonvise's packet. I suppose by this time you have sent hither either Thwaytes or Massy. I pray you send the other after him, and Gates next.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my loving brother Mr. Wrythesley one [of] the Signet.

16 Nov. **1100.** HUMPHREY MONMOUTH.

Strype's Ecc. Mem. I. II. 368. from Foxe's MSS.

Last will of Mr. Humphrey Monmouth, alderman of London, made 16 Nov. anno 1537. His body to be buried in the parish church of All Hallows Barking, the morning after his decease or shortly after, with four or six staff torches burning only, and no branches, torches, or hearse, and without any *Dirige* being sung or said. Immediately afterwards a sermon shall be preached by Dr. Crome, Dr. Barnes, or Mr. Tayllour, parson of St. Peter's in Cornhill, to the glory of Christ and the testification of Monmouth's faith. The bp. of Worcester, Dr. Barnes, Dr. Crome, and Mr. Tayllour shall preach in testator's parish church two sermons weekly until they shall have preached among them 30 sermons, for each of which sermons testator will give them 13*s.* 4*d.* Bequeaths to Audeley, lord Chancellor, and to Lord Cromwell each a standing cup of silver worth 10*l.*, to the end they may favour the foresaid preachers, so that they may be suffered to preach the said sermons quietly to the laud of God, the setting forth of the King's godly purposes, and extinction of the feigned power of the bishop of Rome. If they may not be suffered to preach the said sermons in the said parish church they may preach them in any other church in London; and at the end of every sermon the choir shall begin *Te Deum*. Every priest or clerk who assists in singing it to have 2*d.* At his funeral mass there shall be no more priests than do serve daily in the parish church. No bell to be rung but only a peel to the sermon; but the clerk and other poor men to have their duty as if they had rung. Nothing to be done at his month's mind, unless it be a sermon. Will have no mourners but his executors, his mother-in-law, his aunt Agnes Hurry, &c.

Legacies to his wife Margery, his daughters Grace and Elizabeth, and the children of ——— (*blank*) Acton, now wife of Acton and daughter of testator's brother, Ric. Monmouth, late of Tynbery, Worc., dec. Other bequests to his mother-in-law, Eliz. Denham, the "said" Mr. Robert Barnes, Chr. Elyot, Agnes Hurry, the Drapers Company, &c. His father-in-law, Wm. Denham, and Elizabeth his wife, to have the upbringing of his children. Margery, his wife, and Wm. Denham, to be his executors, Mr. Robt. Barnes overseer. Witnesses: Wm. Robyns, mercer, Wm. Carkeke, scrivener, Wm. Strode, gent., Thos. Parnel, draper, "with other."

16 Nov. **1101.** PRIORY OF ST. PANCRAS, Lewes.

Close Roll, p. 1, no. 9.

Surrender (by Robert the prior, and convent) of the monastery with its cell the priory of Castelacre, Norf., and all possessions of the said monastery and cell in cos. Suss., Norf., Suff., Surr., Kent, Essex, Herts, Camb., Midd., Wilts, Devon, Leic., Linc., Yorks., and elsewhere in England and Wales and the marches thereof. 16 Nov., 29 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, one of the clerks of Chancery.

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2. Pensions paid to the monks of the late monastery of Lewes, 16 Nov., 29 Henry VIII., for one quarter to be due at the Feast of Nativity next, and paid to every of them in reward 40*s.*

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To Antonius Bolney, subprior, John Senok, doctor, and Simon Overy, 7*l.* each; Wm. Bayly, Wm. Aderolde, David Framfelde *alias* Michell, John Canterbury *alias* Stoner, Clement Browne, Geo. Morleghe, Thos. Chamberlayn, Ric. Gollenge, John Grene *alias* Halifax, John Sympson, Wm. Plumsted *alias* Hudson, John Marten *alias* Aylarde, Nic. Orell, Ric. Shernborne *alias* Ball, And. Benet *alias* James, John Peverell, Wm. Panter *alias* Vyney, John Benet *alias* Middelton, and Wm. Elles, smaller sums; John Savage, "in reward given him by my lord of Norff. commandment," 100*s.*

ii. Remembrance of money paid by John Milsent, 16 Nov., 29 Henry VIII., to the servants there (at Lewes):—To John Stempe, auditor, and 79 others, the last item being "given to Richard Awode one of the servants by Master Crumwell his commandment, 7*s.* 6*d.*"

Total, 314*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*

Pp. 7. *Headed and endd.:* Lewes.

16 Nov. **1102.** Sir Wm. Parre to Cromwell.

R. O. Hearing that Sir Hen. Cowpar of Occley, priest, Chr. Morgan of Occley, gent, Robt. Slee and Wm. Gardyner of Weldon, Wm. Passebridge of Stanyerne, and others held secret meetings, supposing that it was against the King's peace, caused them to be arrested. Found on examination that it was to dig for treasure which Sir Henry thought he should find by necromancy. Finding that he has often experimented the craft, and that during the late Queen's life he said that she should never be crowned, and that yet we should have a troublous world, has sent him up to Cromwell. He says he did not know these things by necromancy, but by a Latin verse wherein were the letters L, M, and N.

Sir Thos. Hemmyngton, parson of Sudburgh, has also been suspected, and books, which the bearer will give Cromwell, were found in his house, but as he said he never used them, has let him go. Will continue to apprehend persons who hold secret assemblies.

One John Sprat has been accused falsely by his boy of wishing success to the Northern men. Asks how he shall punish such as forge such false tales. Brigstok, 16 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

16 Nov. **1103.** [Lord Lisle to Cromwell.]

R. O. Your Lordship's letter dated at the Rolls, 29 Oct., was as pleasant to me as I had won 20,000*l.* I wrote in my last that this town was not so substantially victualled as usual, that is, every man for half a year, and that there was plenty of herring at a high price, which is good victual if need require us. I desire to know your pleasure if I shall keep within the town after the old custom, or keep more because of scarcity. On 15 Nov. my lord Chamberlain's servants brought aboard from Guisnes 500 pair of Almain rivets and 100 black bills, and also 2 dromslades and 2 fifers taken out of Flanders. This makes many men muse, for the tidings hitherto have been that all is well, and now harness goes over, and these dromslades maketh all on "arowre" again. There shall be no bruit of anything good or bad but your Lordship shall be informed of it. I beg you to provide for our payment, for here be marvellous extreme poor men. Calais, 15 Nov.

Copy, p. 1. *Endd.:* The copy of my lord Privy Seal's letter.

R. O. 2. [Lord Lisle to Cromwell.]

To the same effect and nearly in the same words. The Almain rivets, &c. were brought in a ship of Dartford, Thos. Smythe master. Calais, 16 Nov.

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16 Nov. **1104.** CHARLES V. and FRANCIS I.

Leonard, II. 401. Ribier I. 62.

Special three months' truce for Savoy and Piedmont, &c., arranging for the immediate withdrawal of the armies on both sides. Monçon, 16 Nov. 1537.

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17 Nov. **1105.** WM. LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

No news but of the lamentable death of the Queen, which I am sure is known to you. On Monday last she was royally conducted, with many of the great lords and ladies, from Hampton Court to Windsor, where she was interred on Tuesday, in presence of many pensive hearts. We have, however, great cause to rejoice in my lord the Prince being in good state. Commend me to my lady. London, 17 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

17 Nov. **1106.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

In favour of the subprior and convent of the cathedral church of Coventry, who lately signified to the Bishop the death of the late prior there, and desired him, as their ordinary, to write to Cromwell in their favour. Shrowisbury, 17 November. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Nov. **1107.** PETER MEAWTYS to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Thanks for her gentle remembrances. Offers his services. Dover, 18 Nov.

Desires to be commended to lord Lisle.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

18 Nov. **1108.** JOHN THOMPSON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

When last with Cromwell at Mortlake, he gave a written promise that if not troubled by other persons he would do better service in the King's works this winter than had been done all last summer. Begs he may be without controlment of anyone. There has since been surmised to be found in this hospital, in a dark place called the great hall, by one William Worme, of Sandwyche, who is blind of one eye, and cannot well see with the other, certain bills conspired to put me out of the King's favour. Was at Canterbury, on his way to Cromwell, with one of these bills, on Monday, 12 Nov., when Cromwell's "said" servant advised him, because of his debility, to return home, and send a letter for his excuse. Begs favour. Since he entered the King's works he has once been poisoned, which has been in his body this quarter of a year past, and is now descended into his legs. As Cromwell's servants, Anthony Auchar and John Anthony, can show, there are certain persons who conspire to put him out of the King's favour. Trusts he shall try himself by the country for the 30 years that he has continued. Dover, 18 Nov.

Hol., but not in his own hand, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The Mr. of the Maison Dieu.

19 Nov. **1109.** ROBT. VAUS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Since he durst not resort to Cromwell, coming out of London, thought the quickest way of redress was to write. Cooke, the "regester," took the tithe lambs of Over Wallop, and carried away, in the writer's absence, three loads of wheat, two of barley, and one of horsemeat, and Sir John Wallop has the residue of the fruits. Thus, by "colour of sequestration,"

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they have "parted stake," so that none of that parish, since they meddled, has fared the better, and the housing goes to decay. John Shem, the writer's deputy, is driven out by Coke and Sir John Wallop, who threatens "he will cut off his ears," and, instead, one Sir Edmond ——,* Wallop's chaplain, who is unable to discharge the cure, is put in; whereby the people are "continued in their ignorance and disobedience toward God and his deputies." Warned Sir Edmond to avoid unless he could prove himself priest or priest's deputy; but the man abides, alleging the command of Sir John Wallop. Thus, notwithstanding the respite Cromwell gave him, the writer is put from all together. Desires that Sir Edmond, "with the letters of his orders, if he ony such have," may come before Cromwell, and answer for this usurpation. Doubts not, if Cromwell has leisure to examine what he shall present against Sir Edmond, his Lordship will show Sir John Wallop that "this year's respite" was not given without consideration of equity. Borscomb, 19 Nov.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord T. Cromwell, Privy Seal and Vicegerent. *Endd.*

1110. Benedict Harward to Cromwell.

R. O. Petition to be inducted into the benefice of Upper Wallop, Hants, which Cromwell, who had been already moved to that effect by petitioner's brother William, had deferred until the incumbent, Nich. Vaux, should determine whether he would be a priest or not, appointing Sir John Wallop to receive the fruits in the meanwhile. Vaux will now resign his interest. Petitioner is a student in the University of Cambridge. *Signed.* B. H.

P. 1. *Add.:* Thomas lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal.

19 Nov. **1111.** Bridlington Priory.

R. O. Account of repairs done at Bridlington and the seaside since the attainder of the prior till 19 Nov. following.

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19 Nov. **1112.** Charles V. to Luis Sarmiento.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 24. B. M. Negociations for peace with France.

The King of England has sent us a gentleman of his household to inform us of the birth of a son, and although in the instructions given for treating of the marriage of the Infant this chance was provided for, yet the King of Portugal and the Infant should send us their opinion thereupon, that we may write accordingly.

Spanish, pp. 5. *Headed:* Da Monçon, 19 Nov. 1537. *Modern copy, from the Archives of Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar V. ii., No. 170.]

20 Nov. **1113.** Sir Geoffrey Pole to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Writes in behalf of Mr. Frynd, against whom reports have been made to lord Lisle. Is sure he is an honest man, and willing to do him service. Hopes Lisle will not be severe on him for a hasty word. Lordyngton, 20 Nov.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.*

20 Nov. **1114.** Nicholas [Shaxton,] Bishop of Salisbury, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letters dated the Nete, 11th inst., concerning the misbehaviour of Goodall, his under-bailiff, against the mayor. Was much surprised, thinking Goodall a wise fellow, and having admitted him in consequence of Cromwell's letters. He is the bishop's and King's officer, under Mr. Arundell, the high-bailiff. Never heard before but that he had

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1114. Nicholas [Shaxton,] Bishop of Salisbury, to Cromwell—*cont.*

exercised his office with vigilant diligence and good circumspection, soberness, and dexterity. In this troublesome world, wherein well nigh every man goes about to oppress the poor clergy, *indignissimis modis per phas et nephas*, both by words and deeds, such an officer cannot be suffered by their uncharitableness. They think now they can not only infringe any liberties granted to the bishop by the King's progenitors, but openly and sturdily contemn them, saying, "We will none of them," as the bearer can declare. When the Lord Chief Justice and Mr. Willoughby, the justices of assize, were hearing the matters in dispute between the citizens and the bp., after his counsel had declared the grants in his favour, up started one Chafyn, and said, "Well, for all that, we will have our minds, whatsoever it cost," and, so that the justices should make none end, said stubbornly and contemptuously that they would abide the lord Chancellor's order, though they had previously complained of the bishop to Cromwell after the lord Chancellor had taken an order between them, which they refused to obey. Thinks they will never sue to the Chancellor, but vex himself and his officer with new complaints. Thus, through this busybody Chafyn, the lord Chief Justice did nothing. Since then Chafyn has usurped divers times upon the bp.'s liberties, by discharging persons arrested for trangression or debt against the order of law without any recompense to the complainant, saying, "The city is the King's city, the mayor is the King's mayor and the King's lieutenant," with other great words, whereas by plain and manifest words in the grant of king Edward IV. the city is the bishop's city, the citizens the bishop's citizens, and the mayor the bishop's mayor, with no authority in the city but that of the clerkship of the market, by composition, and now justice of the peace by the King's authority. All the other authority hath the bailiff, and in his absence the under-bailiff Goodall, who seeing them so inordinately usurp upon the bp.'s right, cannot but speak and defend it, which certain of them can in no wise suffer, but say in their fury, "The city is the King's, &c., the bishop is an heretic, and we trust to see him hanged." Cromwell wishes him to attempt nothing, but rather suffer. Does not intend to attempt anything, but cannot suffer more than is done unless he should grant all their wilful requests, which he may not do. Hears that Cromwell said of him that he had a stomach more meet for an emperor than a bishop. Hopes he does not think so evil of him. God knows his stomach; indeed his patience is proved on every side. Confesses he cannot yet bear and suffer everything as patiently as becomes a good bishop, but he has not an emperor's stomach except in abiding by that which he has lawfully done, wherein he ought to bide, although displeasure should ensue. Rammesbury, 20 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Nov. **1115.** A Merchant of Calais.

R. O. Transfer by Nich. Marse, merchant of Calais, to Sire Nich. Provost, merchant of Paris, of a debt of 3 muids of Burgundy wine owed him by Jean Bachelier, merchant of Paris. Made 20 Nov. 1537, in presence of Piers Lloyd, "greffier" of Calais.

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20 Nov. **1116.** Card. Pole to Albertus Pighius.

Poli Epp. II., 110. I lately received your letters, together with two books, one your own and printed, in which you answer the Lutherans who calumniate the indiction of the Council to be celebrated at Mantua, the other issued in the same vein by the king of England, transcribed by you. Being very busy I commissioned one of your people, a relation, as he said, to write how much I rejoiced at your zeal for the Church.

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Having now more leisure, writes himself. Although he has lost the card. of Capua there are others who will readily help him, such as the card. of St. Cross, who is at present ill, but to whom Pole will speak in his favour as soon as possible. As to the business of Dominus Fredericus Skenchius, of which he wrote to the card. of Capua; if he will write how the matter stands Pole will see to it. Envies his companionship with Theodoricus and Tongrensis. Rome, 20 Nov. 1537.

Latin. Add.: Reverendus.

21 Nov. R. O. **1117.** Robert Seymore to [Cromwell].

Of late there was a controversy between Sir Gruff, my chaplain, and Dr. Bulkeley concerning two advowsons on the benefice of Eskyveoke, St. Asaph dioc.; and Mr. Bulkeley submitted to my arbitrament and was content my chaplain, having your Lordship's favour, should have the benefice. He informs me he has a prebend in Wales by the death of Dr. Glyn,* and has compounded for the first fruits, and that there is information given that it is part of the "proveshyppe" the bp. of Bangor gave your Lordship of late, but he says he will show it to be distinct and separate. I desire favour for him that he should not lose both. Marke Laan, 21 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

21 Nov. R. O. **1118.** [John Botolff] to Sir Gregory Botolff.

I wrote in a letter which my boy [should] have in his chest that I would be with you on Tuesday after St. Andrew's day, for I intended my ship the *Peter* to come to London according to your letter, but I have changed this purpose for reasons you shall know at our meeting. I have been in danger within these two days of losing all my ships, especially the *Trinity* and the *Jesus*, but, happily, they have escaped without great injury; yet I would give 20*l.* for loss of cables and anchors. I was commanded, as ye know, to be before the King's Council on 10th Dec. for the hundred lings which the caterer claims of me for my ship the *Peter*. I beg you to show him that I am so sick I cannot come without danger. I will come and answer the matter with goodwill at Candlemas. I wrote that two last of herrings remained in the ship to go into Flanders. Gives further directions about them and about making purchases of tar and pitch, a petticoat cloth for the writer's wife, and other articles. Send them down by my brother Fulwood's ship. In mense Novembris, post festum S. Edmundi, 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my loving brother Sir Gregory Botolff at Botolff Wharf or at the Blew Boore on London Bridge.

22 Nov. Add. Ch. 14,595. B. M. **1119.** Castelacre Priory.

Surrender of the priory with all its possessions in cos. Norf., Linc., Suff., Essex, Midd., and Camb., and elsewhere in England and Wales, and the marches thereof. 22 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Mallyng, prior, John Howrhowd (?), Wm. Burburton, Robt. Danyel, Rob. Fyske, Wm. Elis, John Bets, Edw. Wadnowe, John Low, Robt. Snape, and Jas. Halman.

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 10] with mem. of acknowledgment, same day, before Wm. Petre, one of the clerks of Chancery.

Latin. Parchment. See Rym. xiv. 590.

* Will. Glynn, LL.D. archdeacon of Anglesea, ob. 1537.—*Le Neve.*

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23 Nov. **1120.** THE PRIOR AND CONVENT OF OSENEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Their abbot died yesterday about 5 p.m. As Cromwell is vicar-general and high steward of the monastery, ask him to procure from the King that the new abbot may be one of their brethren. Oseney, 23 Nov. *Signed:* "Wm. Oxforde, prior, Syr Ric. Botleye, sup-prior, Syr John Stafford, Syr John Glocytar, Syr Warram, with all the residewe of your sayd humble orators." *

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal and General Visitor. *Endd.*

24 Nov. **1121.** THE DOGE OF VENICE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 4. Condolence on the death of his Queen. Refers further to Hieronymo Zucato, the Doge's secretary, and Hieronymo Mauroceno, consul. The Ducal Palace, 24 Nov., indict. 11, 1537.

Lat. Add.

24 Nov. **1122.** THE TURKS.

R. O. "Per lettere di Venezia de 24 di Novembre 1537."

News has come from Constantinople that the Turk has taken all the Venetians in his kingdom and confiscated their goods. Those found in Alexandria have been sent as slaves to the Red Sea, and those in Syria and Turkey have been put in chains. The Turk was so enraged he had ordered all his subjects on the Venetian confines to do all the damage they could. He has got ready 500 galleys and means the total ruin of this State, which no Christian power seems inclined to aid. In fact all the wars they have ever had with the Turks have been on account of others and they have always been abandoned.

Ital., p. 1. *In the hand of Antonio Bonvisi.*

ii. On the flyleaf is written in Cromwell's hand :—

"Remembrances to be remembered to the King's Highness.

"First, touching the Emperor's ambassadors, and of their answer touching the meeting of the two princes.

"Item, of the allegations of the French ambassador.

"Item, of the desire of the secretary of Venice to have access to the King's presence, and of the ratification of the news of Hungary, Surrye (Syria), and Turkey.

"Item, touching Horseley for Bambrowgh and for his conclusion.

"Item, of the depeche of his Grace's letters into France.

"Item, touching the subsidy, and of the remedy for the false deceit used therein.

"Item, touching the monastery of St. Alban's.

"Item, touching the monastery of Abingdon.

"Item, touching the monastery of S.E.B. in S.W.

"Item, to remember Thwayttes.

"Item, to remember the Master of the Rolls.

"Item, to remember the King's Attorney.

"Item, to remember the payment of the Great Wardrobe.

"Item, to remember the payment of Queen Anne's debts.

"Item, to remember the Staple of Calais.

"Item, to remember the Order of this realm.

"Item, to remember the decay of the first fruits by the suppression of the monasteries.

"Item, to remember Sir John Wallop.

"Item, to remember Raffe Sadeler.

"Item, to remember Peter Mewtes.

* The signatures of Glocytar and Warram with this note are all in one hand.

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"Item, the examination of Tyrell's wife in the Tower.
"Item, the examination of the men of Colchester, and to know the King's pleasure therein.
"Item, the examination of the money clipper and what order shall be taken of him.
"Item, the examination of the Black Freere concerning parson Alleyn.
"Item, the determination of Mr. Day, Hethe, Thyrlby and Skyppe, upon the Ten Commandments, Justification, and Purgatory."

R. O. 2. A note in Latin of the above news from Venice.
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25 Nov. **1123.** Sir Harry Delves to Cromwell.

R. O. By his letter dated 15 Nov., which he received on the 24th, perceives that suits have been made to Cromwell that Thos. Hurleston might be his undersheriff this year. The King has in this shire a great matter to be tried this year, and Hurleston is kin to some of those concerned in it. He is not meet for the office. Asks Cromwell to name such an one as Mr. Southwell and Mr. Wriothesley think most meet to serve the King. Dedinton in Cheshire, 25 Nov. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Nov. **1124.** Reports against Ossory.

R. O. Examination of Thos. Albeney, aged 50, before the Deputy, Chancellor and Treasurer of the Wars, 25 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.
Carried a letter from the Lord Deputy Thursday, 22 Nov., to Okarell at Seon Roen, asking his service against the traitor O'Conor &c. He replied he had sent his wife to the earl of Ossory and would be at the Earl's command alone. On the 24th the Earl sent Okarell word that, as his wife was pledge with him, it was unnecessary for him to go to the Deputy; otherwise deponent thinks he would have gone. The said 24th day O'Coner and Donell Ogh, a captain of gallowglasses, came to Okarell saying 12 score Englishmen were slain besides those burnt, and asked assistance against the Deputy and offered his son as a pledge. Okarell said he would not meddle without command of the earl of Ossory, who gave him orders to assist the said traitor if any hurt were done by the English; present Omagher, the prior of Inche and the warden of Rosecreagh. Shane McKylstyll, a horseman of Okarell's affirms that Ossory sent the above message. Coming from Okarell in company with the traitor and Donell Ogh McSwyne, deponent asked the latter why he was against the Deputy who had never harmed him. He replied he would never have left his own country but that Ossory sent to him to assist the traitor. Mylmoro McSwyne dwells in Castellen Shaen, Kilkenny, and Heugh McSwyne in Ardmalle, Tipperary; both are captains of the Earl's gallowglasses. Cosney McKeyhone and Bollyagh McKeighon, judges to Okarell, said it was bruited in Ossory's company that lord James Butler should not leave England until the Earl delivered the traitor O'Coner to the Deputy; whereupon the traitor avoided the said Earl. Then the Earl being at the Grey Friars of Inagh Ormonde, took an oath that if lord James and Richard Butler should remain in England for ever he would not deliver the traitor to the Deputy; present, lady Ossory, Okarell, the warden of the said Grey Friars, Custos Thomas, and Gerald McGeryle one of O'Conor's chaplains. Whereupon the Earl sent captains Heugh and Molmoro McSwyne as safe-conducts to the traitor, who came next day to Inagh where were also the Earl's son-in-law Donough Obryne, Obryne Array, both Okenedyes, McHayg, Oduyre, and Ferconayn Ockarell. The traitor tarried that night and next day departed. *Signed by* Grey, Barnewell, Brabazon, and Robt. Dylon attorney.
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25 Nov. **1125.** Bochetel to Castillon.

Kaulek, 4. Has received Castillon's letter of the 2nd. By the letter of the 6th Castillon may have understood the intention of Francis about these marriages. Francis laughed greatly at the language used to his ambassador, saying that it would seem they meant to do with women there as with their geldings, collect a number and trot them out to take which goes best. He does not approve of his daughter† being put in the row with the others. Card. le Veneur is very glad of the promise of a good greyhound. Bochetel has sent on the letters written to the Queen of Navarre and to M. de Chateaubriant by Castillon, who should always address his packets to the Grand Master, even though he be not at Court, as other ambassadors do ; for packets are opened where the King is and the Grand Master's letters are sent on to him. Even now when the Grand Master is going to Narbonne with the card. of Lorraine, Castillon would do well always to send him a copy of what he writes to the King. 25 Nov.

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*** A copy of this letter is among M. Baschet's transcript in the Record Office. An extract from it (without the date) is printed in Le Grand, III., 638.

25 Nov. **1126.** Card. Pole to the Card. of Liege.

Poli Epp. II. 96. All think that the appointment of legate *a latere* carries with it the power over exempts, &c. To show the Pope's good will to Liege's purposed reformation of his clergy; was speaking with His Holiness the day before yesterday and commending a relation of Liege's, Dominus Hermanus, who wishes to be taken into the household of card. Farnese, and His Holiness at once ordered that Hermanus should be admitted amongst the first of that household. Fears that if the reformation is not made during Liege's lifetime, the people who are now restrained by his authority may after his death rise against the clergy. Has said much of his assistants Dominus Tongrensis, Dominus Theodoricus, and Dominus Joannis Vitten. If the Council is held at Vicenza, as the Pope expects (for he has great hope of peace among Christian Princes) it may help both this and the reformation of the universal Church. Of Vicenza as the place of the Council Pole wrote in his other letters. The Pope will send two prelates to Venice, to thank the State for giving Vicenza for that purpose. They shall be the bp. of Reggio, of the family of Rangona, and the bp. of Verona. Other Church matters. Card. Contarini sends commendations. Rome, St. Catharine's Day, 1537.

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25 Nov. **1127.** Edmond Harvel to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks Cromwell profusely for the "licence of wools" of which his friend Mr. Morison has certified him. "The things of our country hath been much variable, our young Prince giving cause of universal gladness and our late Queen of universal sorrow by her lamentable death." By a ship which left Cyprus the 22nd ult. we learn "the retention of Venetians in Surye with their goods which followed the 14 Sept." The Sophi has recovered his towns from the Turk and has taken some of the Turk's towns, among them Carahemit, chief city of Mesopotamia, on the Euphrates. The Turk had commanded the Suryans to give him of every 30 men one, which had caused a "sublevation" in Surya and 200 Turks had been slain in Aleppo. There is like retention of Venetians in Constantinople and Alexandria and the

† Margaret.

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rest of the Turk's empire, and the Turk has prohibited all exports to Christian ground either by Raigosons, or by Florentines and Frenchmen, who have liberty in the Turk's dominions as formerly. The Venetians' loss by the retention is above 800,000d. This city was lately inclined to reconciliation with the Turk, partly to recover their goods and partly because the Emperor is so far away. Besides, the Emperor's greatness is ever to them formidable, and all the Italian states would like to see the powers of Italy equally balanced; and for this reason I think the Italians secretly favour the coming of the French, though none dare openly assist them. The French host is above 60,000 men, and by the last letters from Milan, was at the siege of Chier. The Marquis of Guasto is in Ast with 10,000 foot and his cavalry; the rest of his force, 12 or 15 thousand foot, are in divers towns. They have fortified Geane (Genoa). I cannot see how the Frenchmen can endure the winter and scarcity of victuals; but if they do overcome, all Italy is theirs in a moment. By letters from Spain of the 4th inst., the Emperor had confirmed the league against the Turk and had taken the loan of 700,000 *pesant* lately come from Peru. These letters from Spain have determined the Venetians to maintain the league, and now they renew their naval preparations and have granted the Emperor, according to the treaty, 6,000 foot, 400 men of arms, and 600 light horse, for the defence of Milan. The Turk will winter in Andronopoli and his navy at Negroponte, which argues that he will renew the war next year. Venice, 25 Nov. 1537.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Nov. **1128.** Guron Scanno (?) to Guido da Fanno.

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"Carissimo et honorando Messer Guido, co . . . . . dovete havere poche nove de le nostre . . . . . a Roma per mie particulari afari non ho . . . . . prima non habiati umna mia piena di nove . . . . . et umna a Monsignore Cramuello piena di . . . . . de la qual ve ne mando la copia acio la . . . . . et parendovi che non posa nocere ne a voi ne . . . . . la darle, per che in quanto ame io mi curo po . . . . . o che mi giova a me bastara sollo et basta . . . . . quello che mi core ne lanimo ali mei signori . . . . . poi nascha quello che nascha che io non me . . . . . haveranno adeso per malle forsi che um giorno . . . . . a benne so benne questo che ame bastaria . l . . . . . sua Maesta a molte cose cum honore suo et . . . . . quel rengno per questa via di qua quand . . . . . voglianno essere serviti se non per quella lor . . . . . che in quello si potra come a Monsignore su . . . . . manchara per che io molto suono afetiona . . . . . di sua Maesta et di Monsignore, so che avoi . . . . . stranno che cosi liberamente scriva ma non . . . . . ame dolle quando io sento biasmare quelle gen[ti] . . . . . parfi come se io fusi nato li et so del . . . . . umna volta et non piu lanimo mio et . . . . . pareria fatianno mo lori che suono savii . . . . . dirli lanimo mio aloro non credo . . . . . per che alori * *

* molte cose gia posto in utillitade di Sua Maesta, et . . . . saria um confirmare le cose del suo figliolo et . . . . . molte perturbatione et fastidii che potria um giorno . . . . . dal Regno o da altri et saria um levarsi total . . . . . di havere sua Maesta di presente bisogno di altro princip . . . . . ere pensamento di concilio ne daltro ma vivere in quella . . . . . che primma vivea, per che se vora batere epreti li . . . . a havere aiuto da altro principe il qualle sia piu . . . . . di sua Maesta, et loro mai lo faranno, ma daranno . . . . . come per il pasato hanno dato. Doverete havere . . . . . che la Maesta del Christianissimo e giunto in persona, a Turinno ne . . . . ente per hanco quale sia la sua opinione, ma per quello

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[che] poso considerare io non credo che per questo verno sua [M]ta si mova di li da quella impresa del stato di [Mil]anno ma cercara di mandare parte de quelle gente . . . agnata da qualchi Italiani che a la Mirandola se . . . anno a la volta di Firenze cum um qualche . . . . capo quello che sianno per fare o benne o malle . . . . questa impresa niunno lo po judicare per che in efeto [l'Impe]ratore come sapete e molto potente in Italia et . . . . . di presente xxvm fanti li a Milanno li qualli . . . . . optimi et perfeti questi de Firenze faranno . . . . . in dieci giorni tanta gente che se defenderanno . . . . . magiormente che deveno havere da tre milla . . . . . buona cavaleria, et se in tempo che . . . . . non e per risolversi ne per umno ne per laltro per . . . . . il tesoro che ha acumulato et acumola . . . . . lo vora portare siecho ne l'altro mondo se . . . . . che spendere um quatrinno da parolle et . . . . . parlato di risolutione alcunna di guera et . . . . . et mostra che tanto li piaceria quanto m . . . . . cosa. Il papa laltro giorno come forsi . . . . . delibero in concistoro faro la epifania di vo . . . . . Bologna, et cosi adeso ne parla ancora . . . . . del concilio et de la pace, ma io . . . . . che ci vada per quanto poso intendere di bu . . . . . oltra poi che vi e qualche dunno che vol il Re di Frantia li veniria ancora lui . . . . . non credo che piacessi molto ne alui ne[ai] . . . . Cardinalli, et in fati saria molto il . . . . . batuto de Francesi quando andesi li per . . . . . a danni de imperialli, et pero penso che . . . . . et che stara a Roma, acordando le cose del . . . . . le qualle suono acordate di questo modo che . . . . . cento trente milla scudi di presente, et fra . . . . . cinquanta et non po fare salle et paga . . . . . come ne la sententia il papa fa car . . . . . et adeso se fanno li instrumenti de . . . . . vi mancha altro che stipul . . . . . trintii et di * * tenga piu su la stangna ve la diro come . . . . . il Cardinalle di Mantua qualle havea il . . . . o al vescovato di Fanno, vostra patria, essendo [morto] il vescovo di febre ha dato il vescovato al . . . . . ro Fra Pietro de Bertanni da Modena et Lucia . . . . . fara vescovessa, et io suono venuto a Roma [per] expedire le bolle, et lunedi che sara fra . . . . . giorni se proponera in Concistoro, et non vi e dubio . . . . . umno che non pusi per che di gia il papa lo . . . . . et e contentissimo si che quando voi venirete . . . . . uarte Lucia patronna di Fanno la qual . . . amore vostro in gran parte mi sprona avenire . . . . a quel governo et aspaso, ma penso non la . . . . . ter servire exceto se voi quando sarte venuto . . . me lo faresti fare expeditevi adunque in bene . . . presto et venire in animo di potere di quel [ve]scovato quel che potete di me et di fra [Pi]etro, il qual e il primo homo d'Italia come [voi] sapete, ma adeso cosi e tenuto et ogni homo . . . annuntia magior grado fra pochi giorni, che Dio [non v]oglia. Io non voria qualche volta che voi pensasti che . . . [p]ersuadesi di dare lege al mondo et voller scrivere . . . . . consigli sinne ali principi in Ingliterra non per dare . . . . . haver risposta et atachare qualche praticha . . . . . aloro Inglesi et a voi * * *

Ne questa litera e scrita a Monsignore sentia . . . . . giori homini che io non sono fare mo quel che vi . . . . . e a Bologna, et per che il Signor Pier Luuigi fe . . . . . ragione di rocha biancha a la Signora Barbara et . . . . . stato si tiene che tratara malle la Signora Livia . . . . . ha commentiato che havendoli dato il posseso di . . . . . sententie et brevi et signatura cum umna si . . . . . ge lo ha levato et postolo nel pristino sta[to come nel] tempo di Clemente et pero bisognara che to . . . . .

Ho inteso di buon locho che pasando Francesi il po com[e] . . . . . dice che hanno comentiato che il papa dara l . . . . . a Parma et a Piasentia, il che saria grand . . . . . di qualche suo particulare interesso certo e che . . . . . non se ne fidanno molto. La venuta de lo impe[ratore] . . . la

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scriveno per certo di Spangna, et di cur . . . . . da buoni ingegni che ve ne sia piu che bisogno. . . . . e grandissima potentia che menna il re et . . . . . pare verissimille che non habi qualche inteligent[ia] . . . . . et cum il papa et maxime per le cose di Urb[ino] . . . cose forsi potrianno pure fare resolvere questo . . . . . voi il resto che sapete li humori cosi benne . . . . . per che non ho zifara non voglio scrivere piu . . . . . di gratia racommandatimi a Monsignore Cram[uel] . . . . um pocho se il Re mi vol piu malle et . . . . . bono ofitio per me . Racommandatimi ancora . . . . . et ditelli che io sono apreso per . . . . . sua chinea ma * * * . . . . . che me la bisognara ripigliare a dreto per che . . . . io li ho barati et che non e bona et qui si . . . . ono molti et me la voria pagare de scambienti . . . . quel potro per usire da le sue manne. Ma se campasi . . . . et milli anni mai piu menaria cavalli a niumno de . . . . gamba torta. Di Roma, ali xxv. di Novembre 1537.

Racommandatimi al bruscheto a M. Bartolomeo compagni [et] finalmente al bochatino et atuti li amici ri . . . o aperta quella de Monsignore se la vorete dare . . . . ella voi. Vostro come fratello, Guron Scanno (?)."

Hol., mutilated. Add.: . . . Guido da Fanno, de . . . . . me fratello honorando.

26 Nov. R. O. **1129.** JOHN THOMPSON, Master of the Maison Dieu, to CROMWELL.

At Dover, Mr. Auchar, the King's paymaster there, has made two whole pays and part of the third. The first, the 30th pay, is 92*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the second, the 31st pay, 93*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*; and the third, 32nd pay, 72*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.* This day, 26 Nov., there are 60 labourers, 24 mariners for 8 boats, and 13 small tumbrels or little carts at 10*d.* the day, with four clerks and one overseer, the writer's brother, in the works. Does not intend to charge the King in the extremity of winter except for empcions and necessaries, according to the bill he has given Mr. Auchar to show to Cromwell. The sum of the oid debts amounts to 96*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*, and besides this there is taken by one Worme, purveyor, great sums for trees felled at the King's charge. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Nov. R. O. **1130.** JACQUES DE COUCY [SIEUR DE VERVINS] to LORD LISLE.

I thank you for informing me that there is a fine horse at Calais. I bought one or two lately, but I should be glad to get a good hackney, and you wrote in another letter that there was a gentleman who had a fine one, but wanted to sell it too dear and that you had sent into England to get a couple; also that you would like to get a goshawk for partridges. The season is passing by, and it is very difficult to get any at present. Nevertheless I have written about it to some friends in my country. Boulogne, 26 Nov. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Sealed. Add. Endd.:* Mr. Ruge.

26 Nov. R. O. **1131.** ANDRÉ CHAPPERON to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

I have received your letters stating that you have done a pleasure to a relation of my wife, and that you are surprised I do not send you the wine that the *grand escuyer* has given you. As I have already written, I should have been glad to do so, but had no such charge, for the *grand* [*escuyer*] has given his land of Laleu to his son who has committed the charge of it to another person. I have sent on your letters to that person, who says he has no charge about it from his master. I thank you for your kindness to my wife's nephew. He says, however, that they have done him great wrong in taking away his goods, and that the capture in Flanders (*de Flandres*) was lawful. Tour de la Chaine, Rochelle, 26 Nov. *Signed.*

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1132. THE WIFE OF CAPTAIN CHAPERON to [LISLE] DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. Thanks him for his present. Sends him four pipes of white wine and four *bareques* of claret. Sends the white wine in pipes because it is stronger. If we live another year I will get some made for you which shall be unexceptionable. This year the grapes have been a little touched by frost. "De votre maison de la Rochelle."

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* M. le Chapitaine de Chalais.

26 Nov. **1133.** SIR JOHN DUDDELEY to HENRY VIII.

Calig. E. i. 31 (continued at f. 30). Is stayed in Lyons by the cardinal of Tournon, and the Chancellor of France and the Council here. A servant of my lord of Winchester who was despatched by his master towards Henry is also stayed. The Chancellor and council will give no other reason than that it is their master's command, and promise to send to their master about it; but it will be six or eight days before they can have an answer. Thinks their policy is to delay the news out of these parts. Report in Lyons that Henry's ambassador in Spain is arrested. Pleaseth you "to understand that [a post was sent] from the Emperor the 20th day of . . . . . at Monson after the sun setting and . . . . . arrived in this town of Lyons the . . . . . following at night, trusting to have . . . . . your Majesty within four or five days after . . . . . hither if God and this had not lett[ed] . . ." Heard by chance of this bearer, servant at Calais, who, though engaged in a process at law, has left his own affairs to carry this. All the posts between this and Calais are stayed. Fears they can mean no [tr]uth to the King. Lyons, 26 Nov.

Hol., pp. 3. *Much injured by fire at the edges. Add.*

27 Nov. **1134.** HENRY VIII. to the BISHOP OF ———.

R. O. Of the subsidy granted us by the clergy of Canterbury province, there is unpaid in your diocese 500 marks, as the bp. of London, our receiver thereof, affirms. You are to charge, on pain of 100*l.*, such as delay to pay their portions to appear before our Council in the Star Chamber to show cause for their delay. Westminster Palace, 27 Nov. 29 Henry VIII. *Signed with a stamp.*

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27 Nov. **1135.** JOHN MAUNTELL to MR. MASON.

R. O. Since parting from you I had no way to write or send you your money. Francisco told me you were somewhat amended. My lord Privy Seal asked me how you did and seemed very glad to hear you were amended. Harry Francis, my lord of Winchester's man, told him you had broken your back. I have sent you by Peter* 22*l.* 10*s.* I received of Mr. Wyatt's money 40 ducats for what he owed you and for Rudston's costs, and the other 10 I keep for that I lacked at my departing. My father-in-law would have had it tarried till he heard from Mr. Wyatt. How slenderly Mr. Wyatt's matters have been handled here, and how few friends he has, the bearer can partly show; I will show you more at our next meeting, which I trust shall be shortly. Since I came no man but myself solicited Mr. Wyatt's matters to my lord. Till Peter departed we thought to send him at Mr. Wyatt's cost, but when he came for my lord's letters he allowed him 20*l.* Will make "a nend" till we meet next. London, 27 November.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* at Lyons.

* Peter Rede.

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[27] Nov. **1136.** WILLIAM BYRCHE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. A ship called the *Mare Garce* (Mary Grace) has been lost by tempest off the coast of Normandy, 8 miles from Boulogne. In it the bearer, a servant of the writer, has lost cloths to the value of 60*l.*, all he was worth in the world, and without Lisle's help not only he but his brother, Nich. Sawturley, a young merchant, are utterly undone. Has no doubt of Lisle's assistance. The King is merry and on Sunday night supped with your old friend Sir William Kingston at the Black Friars. London, Tuesday before St. Andrew.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* lord Lisle, Deputy of Calais.

28 Nov. **1137.** W. WELDEN to JOHN MASON.

R. O. Is sorry for his mischance and wishes for his safe return to England. Has delivered all his tokens, except the gloves for Mr. Selynger, who is not yet returned from Ireland. Gave the hat very lately to Mr. Layton, because he avoided the city for fear of contagion. Were exiled the Court and lay in the country a month, at Woborn, because their chaplain Sir John died of the plague. Before that their master* was commanded daily to wait. Asks him to send the book, which he wrote by Mr. Rouggecrosse was left at Barcelona. Mr. Tuke's clerk says the 200 ducats cannot be allowed and taken as for your journey to Sicily by my lord's† letter, which specifies that they should be taken upon account and allowance for my master's post money. He will not make the 340 crowns, ducats; because my lord's letter names crowns, so that Monsieur must make a new request or else take all as it standeth. The bearer can tell news. "Raptim ex ædibus episcopi‡ nostri, Holborn," 28 Nov. 1537.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Lyon or elsewhere. *Endd.*

28 Nov. **1138.** MR. RICHARDYNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. After Dr. Crome had heard him preach at Powles Cross and other places, he took him into Lincolnshire, where he has preached lately and found great need of true ministers of God's word, and nothing more desired of the people nor less done in those quarters where he was. He has given Richardyne hope that Cromwell will help him with the first fruits of his 9*l.* benefice, and has made him tarry, though he has nothing to live upon this year and the people are but poor labourers. Has paid half and asks Cromwell to give Mr. Doctor a token to Gostewike to have patience of the payment of the other half. 28 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

28 Nov. **1139.** CHARLES O'MULLOY and MCGEOGHEGAN.

Lamb. 603, f. 84a. Indenture 28 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. between lord Leonard Grey, viscount Grane, deputy, and Charles O'Mulloy, chief captain of his nation and country of Fercalgh:—1. That O'Mulloy will be faithful to the King and serve the Deputy for the time being, especially against the traitor Bernard O'Chonour. 2. He will serve at 3 days' notice against all Irishmen with 6 horse and 40 foot for one day and night, and in other journeys with 4 horse and 12 foot. 3. He will support Charles O'Chonour, the lord McGoighegan and other subjects of the King. 4. He will pay the King all rents, &c., due.

He places his son Conacius O'Mulloy in the Deputy's hands as a hostage; and the latter agrees that the baron of Delven, Dillon, Dalton, Tyrrel and other captains shall aid him when necessary. Dated Kyllegh in Offaly, as above.

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* Richard Pate. † Cromwell. ‡ The Bishop of Lincoln, Pate's uncle.

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1139. Charles O'Mulloy and McGeoghegan—*cont.*

ii. Indenture 28 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. between lord Leonard Grey and Rosrid, otherwise Rosse, McGeoghegan, chief captain of his nation and country of Kynneleagh, to the like effect. He has placed his second son Hugh McGeoghegan as a hostage. No crime committed by Cornelius McGeoghegan his sons or followers shall be to the detriment of the said "lord" McGeoghegan or his hostage.

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28 Nov. **1140.** French Wine.

R. O. Certificate by Guillaume Audrivon, secretary of Mons. de la Meilleraye, vice-admiral of France, of having seen the receipts for custom for 59 tuns of wine in the ship of John Bournyn, Englishman, destined for Calais and England. 28 Nov. 1537. *Signed.*

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29 Nov. **1141.** Derbyshire.

Add. MS. 6,668, f. 679.* B. M. Coroner's writ of *venire* to the constable of Calowe for the collection of a jury at Asheover for an inquest upon the death of Matilda Backster. 29 Nov., 29 Hen. VIII.

ii. Panel of 24 names attached.

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29 Nov. **1142.** Sir John Porte to Cromwell.

R. O. At my late being with you, you wrote a letter in favour of my kinsman the bearer, Sir Richard Porte, priest. I beseech you to continue his good lord. Vigil of St. Andrew the Apostle, "after I had been with your Lordship." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Nov. **1143.** Cromwell to Sir Thos. Wyat.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 219. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 328. Though I have nothing of importance to write, I take the opportunity of this messenger going upon your private affairs to say that your last letters touching conferences with the Emperor and M. de Grandevile were as well taken as ever I saw orators' letters. Where in your letters to me you make instant suit for money, I took immediate order for the payment of your diets for six months beforehand, and the money you had laid out in posts, and further diet for two months in lieu of a prest for the despatch of posts, so that if your agents here had called for money, or if Rougecroix would have taken your bills of exchange with him, it might have been despatched long ago. I marvel you would put the King to the charge of your interests. The precedent were too evil to be admitted, and such a request would be taken in evil part. Mistrust not but that you shall have as much favour as I may extend, "and indeed you had need of friendship, for I have not seen a wise man leave his things so rawly as yours be left."

Now to touch some of the points in your letters to the King. Surprised that it should be said there that the Emperor's agents here resident could have no audience in six months. The truth is they never desired audience but they had it, as they now confess, since the arrival of the letters, since which time there has been new communication of the marriage. They would have our daughter, whom the King esteems as she is worthy, and would give nothing for it. If it take not effect the fault will be theirs, for we have desired nothing but what the Emperor may do without breach of his leagues with the bp. of Rome. Upon the decease of the Queen the ambassadors made

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an overture for the daughter of Portugal. It was thankfully taken, but would have been more so had it come anew from the Emperor, but it appears they did it upon an old commission. The King* is much desirous to hear touching the matter of Digneley. The Nete, 29 Nov.

P.S. Whereas in conversation the Emperor said to Wyat that as long as his affairs went badly his friends made no offers of mediation, but as soon as they seemed to prosper he was solicited to peace both by the King of England and other friends, Wyat must take opportunity to resume the subject and say that now, when news has come of the abasement of his affairs in Italy and the victories of the French king (both in getting the passage at Zuse and the reinforcement of his holds in those parts), the King is still willing to mediate for peace, and has commanded Wyat to renew the overture, although the Emperor's things be not so prosperous altogether as they were. If the Emperor is ready to listen, Wyat shall require him to send a personage to the King for the declaration of his titles, and no doubt the French king will do the like. Wyat may take this opportunity to say that the report that his ambassadors could not have audience in six months was untrue. Observe his answers, so as to "decipher the bottom of his heart." The Nete, 30 Nov.

The King's pleasure is that you send a speedy answer hereof and news of occurrants there. *Signed.*

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 6. *Add.:* Ambassador. *Endd.:* "My lord Privy Seal in Decemb. at Barsolona by Peter Rede."

30 Nov. **1144.** Wriothesley to Sir Thos. Wiat.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 283. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 424.

I thank you for your sundry gentle letters, and can assure you your doings are well taken, for I myself read them to the King. As to your money, the letters of your agents here will declare how you be used. For lack of special words in your letter of attorney to Sir Wm. Hawte they say he can give no sufficient acquittance, so that a new warrant must be sued for every payment. Let that be amended. Yet doubt not but that your warrant shall be ready if your agents will call only four days before. Your things stand rawly, as I understand, but I will be assured to you according to my promise. I thank you for my man Baker, and pray you to set him forward in the attaining of the Latin tongue. If he act as he did with me I trust you like him well. I shall continue my favour to him or withdraw it as you shall think him worthy. The Nete, 30 Nov.

P.S. With much ado about nothing I have saved you a good part of the charges of this post.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Ambassador with the Emperor. *Endd.:* "Mr. Wryothesley in Decemb. by Peter Rede at Barsolona."

30 Nov. **1145.** John Bolter, of London, Goldsmith, to Cromwell.

R. O.

Delivered your letter to my lord Chancellor, but am still put off from day to day. Patrick Barnewell, the King's serjeant, sets the judges against me. Sir John Splyman (*sic.*) drew up and delivered you a book of my matter; but Mr. Serjeant prefers his own learning, though if he would speak to the King's advantage the King might have 500*l.* from the city of Cork. He is, however, in fee with them (the city) and justice Lutterell. Begs new letters to the Lord Chancellor, and will bring over his books to prove his case. Dublin, 30 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The two leaves of the P.S. are here bound in out of place.

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1145. JOHN BOLTER, of London, Goldsmith, to CROMWELL—*cont.*

2. JOHN BOLTER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Petition of John Bolter, of London, goldsmith, that Mr. Powlsted, or other, may be commanded to examine Robert Blewett, of Yawholde (Youghal), now here a suitor to Cromwell, concerning injuries done by the men of Corfe (Cork?) to petitioner; and, especially that Richard (*sic*) Blewet may be examined, who, when mayor of Yowgholde, attached petitioner's goods for six months and imprisoned him in a cellar 21 days, although he had the lord Deputy's safe conduct, and finally forced him to come away into England without his goods.

P. 1. *Add. at head:* Lord Privy Seal.

30 Nov. **1146.** GUILLAUME LE GRAS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I wrote to you from Paris and also to Madame la Debitis, that I had put your son Master James in the college of Navarre, with the son of the Treasurer of the Exchequer (*de l'espargne*). I would not have done so but for your letter. I have written to you what he will cost, and as soon as I come back to Paris your son shall write to you his news. I lately wrote to you about a debtor of mine who used to live in this town, who has gone to reside 12 leagues from London. I have given the bearer his "cedulle originalle." I beg you to obtain justice for me. Rouen, 30 Nov. 1537.

Fr. Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

Nov. **1147.** PRINCESS MARY'S EXPENSES.*

R. O. *October* [29 Hen. VIII.]—To Thos. Gente, yeoman of the horse to my lady Mary, for hay, litter and oats for her own horse, at Kingston, three of her women's and one of his standing at Ham; and baiting of horses at Basingstoke and Bagshot when sent on her business. To John Bell, groom of the stable, for 3 lbs. candles, 4½*d.* Board wages of Beatrice ap Rice, laundress, 2*d.* a day; and the hire of a house, 4*d.* a week. Board wages of Gente and three horse keepers, 4*d.* a day. Total 5*l.* 2*s.* 1½*d.*

November.—Expenses of Robt. Chechester, her gentleman-usher, going from Hampton Court to Richmond to prepare her lodging, 4*s.* a day. To Thos. Palmer, groom of the robes, sent from Sonninghill and Windsor to Hampton Court to see her apparel there, and to London to provide mourning after the Queen's death, 8*d.* a day. To Nicholas Newes, groom of the beds, hire of a house at Windsor, Assher, and Hampton Court, to put in his guard stuff, as there was no house in the Court, 12 weeks at 6*d.* 1,000 hooks for "the said gard of Beddes," 3*s.* 4*d.* Mending saddles, girths, horse collars, reins, "pasternes," &c., 9*s.* 10*d.* To John Smith, of Ham, 9 new shoes and 4 removes 20*d.* Hire of two horses in the progress time, 20*s.* To Rondall Dod, gentleman-usher, sent to the Court and to London, 12 days at 20*d.* To Ric. Wilbram, sent from Hampton Court to the King at York Place, twice, four days at 20*d.* To Robt. Chechester, sent from Richmond to London, two days at 20*d.* Total, 4*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

Received of Gostwyk, Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Whereof wages and horsemeat, due 30 Sept., 16*l.* 15*s.* 10½*d.*, and the above expenses, 9*l.* 10*s.* 11½*d.*

Remainder in Ric. Wilbram's hands, 6*s.* 6*d.*

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— Nov. **1148.** CHARLES V. and FRANCIS I.

Add. MS. 28, 590, f. 27. B. M. Articles agreed upon at Monçon to be sent to the comendador mayor of Leon and Mons. de Granvelle for use in treating the peace with the Grand Master and High Chamberlain (*Mayordomo mayor*) of France. End of Nov. 1537.

* These are not included in her privy purse expenses printed by Nicolas.

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108 articles touching Milan, the General Council, the Turk, the Venetians, duke of Savoy, Italy, Flanders, &c.

The 22nd article points out that it must be considered what course is to be taken with the king of England, the Germans, and the heretic Cantons (*desviados de nuestra Santa Fee*) to induce them to attend and obey the Council. The 80th is to get the king of France to renounce generally all alliances with heretics (*desviados*) and particularly with the duke of Saxony, landgrave of Hesse, and duke of Wirtemberg. The 87th is to try and find out if the French would, besides the public treaty, agree to a secret treaty especially touching the King of England and the heretics. The 93rd and 94th provide that if the marriage of the Infant Dom Luys with the daughter of France is spoken of, which was suggested by the king of France to the ambassador of Portugal, their answer will depend upon the state of the negociations in England; and as the best way to satisfy the King will be to suggest another marriage for his daughter, the prince of Piedmont might be mentioned.

97. As to the king of England, considering that relations with him are as like enmity as amity (according to the proverb that he who offends does not pardon) and he has left the Roman Church, and probably the king of France would be the more inclined to treat to be discharged of his pension to the king of England, care must be taken not to give that King cause of offence until assured on the side of France, and on the other hand, not to leave the king of France in distrust of what will be done in this. 98. If it is insisted that England be included as in former treaties, the rest must be left to the secret treaty, if one is made, or to the terms which shall be used as to returning to the unity of the Church and resistance against the Turk and also to the action of the Pope by censure and by calling in of the secular arm. 100. This point of a secret agreement against England is a very delicate matter, and care must be taken not to put the king of France in distrust lest he should temporise with the king of England and so hinder the Council, and the matter of the Turk, and the marriage of Don Luis with the princess of England. It must be seen whether this should not be deferred till after the passing of the public treaty, and nothing done that the French might take advantage of, seeing that they must know what causes the Emperor has to complain of the king of England.

Spanish, pp. 35. *Modern copy from the Archives of Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar, V. ii. No. 172.]

1149. [Sir] Henry Longe to Cromwell.

R. O. I desire to have my discharge* from Mr. Pollard, which you promised when I was last with you I should have, for 55*l.* which I received of Rich. Gardyner, King's collector. Which sum he cannot have without my said discharge, for there is process against the said collector for it. It cost me 100 marks above the 55*l.* I beg your favour for my daughter, wife of Robert Leversege, who has no manner of living of her husband. I desired your favour for him at the time of his trouble, trusting he would amend, but since then he is rather worse than better. Please let her have a convenient living out of his lands, and I care not if she never see him again. The bearer can declare further. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* This doubtless refers to his expenses as sheriff of Wiltshire from Mich. 1536 to 1537.

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1. Sir Will. Sandes, K.G., lord chamberlain of the Household. Grant in tail male of the manor or lordship of Impshote, with appurtenances, in co. Southampton, late of Robt. Aske, jun., attainted. *Del.* Westm., 1 Nov, 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

2. Thos. Byrde, clk. Grant of the free chapel or chantry in the "castrum Leonum" (castle of Holt), Marches of Wales. Hampton Court, 14 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov,—P.S.—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

3. Sir Nic. Carewe, K.G. Grant in tail male, of the manors of Ebbesham, Sutton, Cullesdon, and Horley *alias* Hurley, Surrey; the rectories of Ebbesham and Horley, with the advowsons of the churches, and the glebes and tithes thereto belonging, the advowsons of the vicarages, and all other advowsons, &c., in Ebbesham, Sutton, Cullesdon, and Horley, and elsewhere belonging to the said manors, &c., which came to the King's hands by reason of a fine between the King and John abbot of St. Peter's Chertsey, made *Term. Trin.* 29 Hen. VIII. Westm. Palace, 3 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 40.

4. Thos. Wryothesley. Custody of the possessions late of Arthur Russhe or of Sir Thos. Russhe, father of the said Arthur, during the minority of Anth. Russhe, s. and h. of the said Arthur, with the wardship and marriage of the said Anthony. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov, 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 21.

5. ——— (blank on roll), the abbess, and the convent of Romsey. Inspeximus and confirmation of pat. 8 Feb. 10 Hen. VII., inspecting and confirming pat. 1 July 2 Edw. IV., inspecting and confirming charter 10 May 13 Ric. II., inspecting and confirming—

I. Charter 18 July 2 Edw. II., inspecting and confirming—

1. Charter 18 July 50 Hen. III., granting the abbess and nuns a market and fair at their manor of Asshetou, Wilts.

2. Charter 10 July 52 Hen. III., inspecting and confirming the following :—

a. A charter of king Stephen to the said abbess and nuns, dated at Oxford.

b and *c.* Two charters of Stephen, dated at Oxford.

d. A charter of Hen. I. dated at Winchester.

e. Another charter of the same King dated at Lutegareshall.

f. Another dated at Winchester.

g. Another dated at Portsmouth.

h. Another dated at Winchester in Easter.

i. Another dated at Westminster on Whitsunday.

k. Another dated at Winchester.

l. A charter of Hen. II. dated at Salisbury.

m. Another charter of the same King dated at Westminster at the Exchequer.

n. Another dated at Falaise.

o, p, q, r. Four other charters of Hen. II. dated at Salisbury.

s. Another, of the same, dated at Hampton.

t, u. Two others, of the same, dated at Salisbury.

v. Another, dated at Romsey.

w, x, y. Three other charters of the same king dated at Salisbury.

3. Charter 3 Feb. 56 Hen. III., granting the abbess and convent a fair at the manor of Romeseye.

II. Pat. 11 Feb. 10 Edw. II. granting to the convent the custody of the temporalties of the abbey during each voidance.

III. Charter 5 March 43 Edw. III. (incorrectly called *præfati proavi*) being a grant of free warren. Westm., 5 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 22.

6. Chr. Billingforth, of Norwich, *alias* of Stoke, Norf., *alias* of London, mercer. Protection, going in the retinue of Sir Arthur Plantaginet, K.G., viscount Lisle, deputy-general of Calais. Hampton Court, 27 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov. —P.S.

7. Thos. Wryothesley. Grant in fee of the manors of Forwood and Forwey, Devon; the manor of Hasylegh, and the grove or wood, with the land thereof, called Shalflet Wood *alias* Shaflet Wood, in the Isle of Wight, late parcel of the lands of the suppressed monastery of Quarr; with all presentations belonging to the said manors, and all messuages, houses, &c. reputed parcels thereof in the vills, parishes, &c. of Couleton, Forwood, Forwey, Hasylegh, Atherton, and Shalflete, or elsewhere in the Isle of Wight, or cos. Hants and Devon; and all tithes of corn, hay, &c. growing on the premises. Annual value, 34*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.*; rent, 70*s.* 4*d.* *Del.* Westm., 6 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 40.

8. Thos. Wynton. Lease of the demesne land called lez Court Orchard, in the lordship of Wolfurlowe, parcel of the earldom of March, Marches of Wales; with reservations; for 21 years; at 22*s.* rent and 16*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 6 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

9. Stephen Downes of Aston, Staff., yeoman. Pardon for having killed Rob. Birde of Salte, Staff., tailor, in self-defence, under the following circumstances, as appears by inquisition taken at Aston near Doxhey, Staff. The said Robert and John Robyns and John Puylston of Salte, yeomen, came to Aston, which is four miles from Salte, by procurement of the said John Puylston, in order to mow some green oats there, in a croft called "the Tofte at the hedde of the partie crofte," which the said Stephen had sown. And the said Stephen perceiving

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the trespass remonstrated with them; whereupon he was attacked by the said Rob. Birde, and being wounded fled, the said Robert pursuing him. And the said Stephen gave the said Robert a blow of which he died; on which account the said Stephen was committed to the Marshalsea prison, as certified by Sir John FitzJames, C.J. of the King's Bench. Westm., 6 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 30.

10. John Jenour. Licence to alienate the manor of Alfreston, Essex, to Nic. Rokewoode; and to the said Nicholas to regrant the same to the said John for life, with remainder to Alice his wife, with remainder to Ric. Jenour and Withburga Catesby. Westm., 7 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 25.

11. *Yorks., West Riding:*—Commission of the Peace to Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, C. bp. of Durham, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Thos. earl of Rutland, Hen. earl of Cumberland, Will. earl of Southampton, John lord Scrope of Bolton, Chr. lord Conyers, Francis lord Talbott, Sir Ric. Lyster, Chr. Jenney, serjeant-at-law, John Hynde, serjeant-at-law, Brian Hygden, clk., dean [of York], Sir Will. Gasconign of Calthorp, sen., Sir Will. Evers, Sir Thos. Wentworth, Sir Will. Middelton, Sir Rob. Nevell, Sir Will. Malyverey, Sir Geo. Lawson, Sir Will. Copley, Sir Hen. Everingham, Thos. Fairfax, serjeant-at law, John Norton, Rob. Bowes, Will. Babthorp, Will. Malery, Rob. Chaloner, John Aune, John Poleyn, Thos. Wentworth of Wentworth, Will. Hungate, sen., Roger Malett, Thos. Gryce, John Lambart, Thos. Grene, Thos. Sayvell of Ekkesley, Anth. A.,† Ralph Poleyn, John Wakefeld, Francis Frobyser. Westm., 8 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 7*d.*

12. *Cornwall.*—Commission of the Peace to Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Hen. marquis of Exeter, Will. earl of Southampton, J. bp. of Exeter, Edm. lord Braye, Sir John FitzJames, Sir Thos. Wylloughby, Sir John Arundell of la Hern, Sir Peter Eggecombe, Sir John Chamonde, John Arundell son of Sir John Arundell of la Hern, Sir John Arundell, Sir Will. Godolghan, John Arundell of Talbern, sen., John Arundell of Treryse, John Carmynowe, Ric. Eggecombe, Rob. Vyvyan, Ric. Penrose, Hen. Trecarell, Wymond Carew, Will. Carneshewe, Rob. Langdon, Thos. Chamonde, Humph. Trevylyan, Peter Caryngton, Nic. Carmynowe, Rob. Hyll, John Tubbe, Will. Bere, Walter Kendall. Westm., 9 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII., p.* 4, *m.* 9*d.*

13. *Kent, Isle of Sheppey.*—Commission of Sewers to Sir Thos. Cheney, Chr. Hales, M.R., John Hales, one of the barons of the Exchequer, Sir Edw. Wotton, Sir Will. Kempe, Sir Will. Fynche, John Baker, Attorney General, John Crowmer, James Crowmer, John Boyes, Walter Hendeley, Th. Dygges, Hen. Crispe, Th. Hardys, and Walter Moyle. Westm., 12 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 18*d.*

14. *Launceston Castle, Cornw.*—Commission of Gaol Delivery to Sir John Arundell of la Heron, Sir Peter Eggecombe, Sir John Chamonde, Sir Will. Godolghan, Ric. Penrose, Hen. Trecarell, Will. Carneshewe, Nic. Carmynowe, Rob. Hyll, John Tubbe, and Will. Bere. Westm., 12 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

15. *Oxon.*—Commission of the Peace to Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Will. earl of Southampton, Sir John Porte, Sir John Daunce, Sir Will. Barentyne, Sir Walter Stonour, Sir John Clerke, Sir Rob. Lee, Sir Tho. Elyott, Sir John Brone, Will. Fermour, John Willyams, Thos. Nevell, Thos. Carter, Edm. Horne, John More, Ric. Blounte, Will. Raynesford, John Denton, Anth. Cope, John Pollard, Thos. Wayneman, Anth. Bursterd. Westm., 12 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 6*d.*

16. *Lincolnshire, Holland.* Commission of the Peace to Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Thos. earl of Rutland, Will. earl of Southampton, J. bp. of Lincoln, Edw. lord Clynton, Sir Anth. FitzHerbert, Sir Walter Luke, Sir Will. Husey, Sir Thos. Tempest, jun., Sir John Copledyke, Thos. Hennege, Francis Broun, John Hennege, Anth. Eirby, Thos. Gildon, Nic. Roberdson, Thos. Holand, Rob. Walpole, John Rede, Ric. Wolmer, Thos. Halgh, Ric. Ogle, jun., Ric. Rede, Blasius Holland, Ric. Goodyng, John Fryskeney, Thos. Broun, Will. Roberdys, John Tamworth. Westm., 12 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 9*d.*

17. Will. Wygmore, a sewer of the Chamber. To be steward of the lordships or manors of Staunton Lacy, Salop, and Ricardescastell, Heref., *vice* Sir Thos. Cornewayll, deceased, with fees of 20*s.* a year in each place. Westm. Palace, 7 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 32.

18. Sheriff Roll:

Cumb.: *Sir John Lamplewe, John Lee, Sir John Huddelston.

Northumb.: *John Horseley, Rob. Colyngwood, Sir Cuthbert Radclyff.

Yorks.: *Sir Hen. Savyle, Sir James Strangways, Roger Lassells.

Notts and Derby: Sir John Byron, *Sir Nic. Strelley, John Hercy.

Lincoln: *John Harrynton, Sir Thos. Missenden, Sir Will. Sandon.

† *Sic in origine.*

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Warw. and Leic.: *Sir John Vyllers, John Grevyle, Roger Ratclyff.

Salop: Roger Corbet, *Sir John Talbot, Will. Yong.

Staff.: Sir Will. Basset, *Sir Geo. Greysley, James Leveson.

Heref.: *John Blount of Grendon, Sir James Baskervyle, Thos. Bodenham.

Glouc.: Sir Walter Denys, *Sir Edm. Tame, James Clyfford.

Oxon and Berks: Sir Will. Barantyne, Sir Will. Essex, *Sir Simon Harecourt.

Northt.: *Sir Will. Parr, Sir Rob. Kyrkeham, John Hasilwood.

Camb. and Hunts: Sir Giles Alyngton, Edw. North, *Thos. Megges.

Beds and Bucks: Sir Rob. Dormer, *Sir Will. Wyndesore, Sir John Mordaunt.

Norf. and Suffolk: John Spryng, *Edm. Wyndham, Sir John Tyndall.

Essex and Herts: John Smyth, *Sir John Raynsford, Sir Giles Capell.

Kent: Anth. Sandys, *Sir Will. Haught, Ric. a Vane.

Surrey and Sussex: *Nic. Gaynesford, Sir Edw. Bray, John Sakevyle.

Hants: *Sir Thos. Lysley, Ric. Andrews, John Kyngesmyll.

Wilts: *Sir John Brudgys, "Edus." Mompesson, Charles Bulkeley.

Somers and Dorset: John Paulet, *Sir John Horcey, Sir Edw. Wylloughby.

Devon: *Ric. Pollard, Sir John Chamond, Sir Thos. Speake.

Cornw.: Thos. Seyntabyn, *Sir Hugh Trevanyon, John Arundell, s. and h. of John Arundell, sen.

Rutland: *Thos. Brudenell, Thos. Sherard, Anth. C . . . .

Cheshire: Will. Damport, Sir Will. Stanley, *Sir Hen. Delves.

Del. Westm., 14 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.

Signed by the King at top and bottom.

*** *Those names marked with an asterisk were chosen sheriffs by the King.*

19. *Newgate Gaol, London:* Commission of gaol delivery to Sir Ric. Gresham, mayor, Sir John FitzJames, Sir John Baldwyn, Sir Ric. Lyster, Sir John Porte, Sir John Spelman, Sir Walter Luke, Sir Anth. FitzHerbert, Sir Will. Shelley, Sir Th. Wylloughby, John Hales, one of the Barons of the Exchequer, Sir John Aleyn, Sir John Champneys, Sir Ralph Waren, Sir Roger Cholmeley, serjeant-at-law, John Baker, Attorney-General. Westm., 16 Nov. —*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

20. Commissions of the Peace.

Wilts: Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Th. lord Crumwell, Will. earl of Southampton, N. bp. of Salisbury, Hen. lord Mountague, Hen. lord Mautravers, John lord Fitzwaren, Will. lord Stourton, Walter lord Hungerford of Heytesbury, Sir John Fitz James, Sir Ric. Lyster, Sir Thos. Wylloughby, Rob. abbot of Malmesbury, Sir Will. Pawlett, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir Will. Essex, Sir Anth. Hungerford, John Bonham, Anth. Styleman, Thos. Apprice, Edw. Mounpesson, John Erneley, Bartholomew Husey, Hen. Poole, Charles Bulkeley, Rob. Wye, John Pye, John Hamlyn, Will. Botton, Ric. Woodcok. Westm., 19 Nov.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 8*d.*

21. *Dorset:* Sir Th. Audeley, Chancellor, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Th. lord Crumwell, Will. earl of Southampton, N. bp. of Salisbury, Hen. lord Mountague, Hen. lord Mautravers, John lord Audeley, Hen. lord Dawbeney, Sir John FitzJames, Sir Th. Willoughby, Sir Giles Strangwayes, Sir Th. Trenchard, Sir Th. Arundell, Sir Th. More, Sir Will. Uvedale, Sir Edw. Wylloughby, John Rogers, Geo. Lynde, Ric. Phelypps, John Williams, Roger Stourton, John Orynge, Will. Hody, Nic. Willoughby, Hen. Assheley, Hen. Strangways, Will. Thornell. Westm., 16 Nov.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 8*d.*

22. *Town of Cambridge:* Ralph Bekerdyke, mayor, John Hynde, serjeant-at-law, Sir Rob. Payton, Philip Parys, Thos. Hutton, Thos. Rudston, Thos. Brakyn, Edw. Slegge, John Chapman, Rob. Chapman. Westm., 19 Nov.—*Pat.* 29 *VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 10*d.*

23. Will. Oldebeffe *or* Oldebefe, of Lusweke *or* Luswyke in the lordship and liberty of the abbot of the monastery of Peterborough, Northt., yeoman. Pardon for the murder of Ric. Talbot, of Lusweke. Westm. Palace, 17 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—*Del.* Westm., 19 Nov.—P.S.

24. *Nottingham Gaol:* Commission of Gaol Delivery to Sir Brian Stapleton, Sir John Markeham, Sir John Chaworth, John Constable, Edm. Molynex, Will. Clerkson, Anth. Nevell, Michael Clerkeson, and Roger Grenall. Westm. 20 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

25. Peter Assheton, clk. Licence to hold, along with the parish churches of Shitlington, Beds, and Broughton Assheley, Leic., Linc. dioc., which he now has by dispensation, any other incompatible benefices notwithstanding the statute 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 20 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

26. Ric. Warde, clerk of the King's poultry. Reversion of the office of doorward of the outer gate of Windesor Castle, now held by Thos. Warde, yeoman harbinger; with an annuity of 5*l.* out of the issues of the lordship of Denbigh, N. Wales. Also to be keeper of the armoury and ordnance in Windsor Castle, with fees of 4*d.* a day, in reversion after the said Thomas. Greenwich, 28 April 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 21 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

27. Ric. Pymound. Lease of certain lands and pasture called Hallelathes, in the lordship of Sandall, and the agistment of Sandall park, members of the lordship of

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Wakefeld, Yorks,. parcels of the lands assigned for the pay of the garrison of Berwick; with reservations; for 21 years, at rents of 4*l.* for Hallelathes, 13*s.* 4*d.* for the agistment, and 13*s.* 4*d.* anew approved. *Del.* Westm. 22 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. b. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

Vacated on surrender 12 May 30 Hen. VIII.

28. *Northampton Castle.*—Commission of Gaol Delivery to Sir Th. Gryffyn, Sir Will. Newenham, Sir Th. Tresham, Edw. Mountague, serjeant-at-law, Edm. Knyghtley, serjeant-at-law, Ric. Humphrey, Edw. Gryffyn, John Hasylwood, jun., Edw. Waren, John Lane, and Rob. Chauntrell. Westm. 22 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

29. Ric. Hawes. To be, during good conduct, clerk of the peace and of the crown, in co. Warw. *Del.* Westm. 23 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 11.

30. *City and co. of Exeter.*—Commission of the Peace to Thos. Hunte, the mayor, Sir Thos. Darcy, John Rowe, serjeant-at-law, Ric. Pollard, Will. Hurst, John Blacaller, Hen. Hamlyn, and John Briknoll. Westm., 24 Nov.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 2, *m.* 27*d.*

31. Thos. Culpeper, a gentleman of the Privy Chamber. Grant in tail male of the house, site, &c. of the suppressed house or priory of Combewell or Comwell, Kent; the manors of Combewell *alias* Comwell, Lostherst *alias* Losseherst, Hooke, and Coldred, Kent; and all messuages, lands, mills, &c. in Comwell, Gowdhurst, Staplehurst, Hooke, Thorneham, Coldred, Borowasshe, Tyseherst, Flemwell, Hartefelde, and elsewhere belonging to the said late priory. Annual value, 81*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*, rent, 8*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, by way of tenth. On surrender of pat. 23 May 29 Hen. VIII., being a life grant of the same premises to the said Thomas. Westm. Palace, 20 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 42.

32. Michael Stanhop and Anne his wife. Grant in tail male of the house and site of the suppressed priory of Shelford, Notts., the church, belfry, and churchyard thereof, 174 acres of arable land, 30 a. of meadow, and 60 a. of pasture in Shelford, and the common and fishery there, belonging to the said late priory. Annual value, 12*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*, rent 24*s.* 8*d.* Westm. Palace, 21 Nov., 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

33. Hen. Russell, clk. Presentation to the rectory of the parish church of Agmondisham, Linc. dioc. Westm. Palace, 22 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 36.

34. *Gloucestershire.*—Commission of the Peace to Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Will. earl of Southampton, Ric. bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, Hen. (*sic*) bp. of Worcester, Walter lord Ferrers, John abbot of Cirencester, Sir John Narte, Sir Will. Kyngston, Will. Suherd, Sir Thos. Cornewall, Sir Edw. Crofte, Sir Will. Morgan, Sir Will. Thomas, Sir Edw. Wadham, Sir John Bridges, Sir Chr. Bayneham, Sir Anth. Hungerford, Sir Nic. Paynez, Sir Walter Denys, Roger Wygston, John Pakyngton, John Vernon, John Russell, Anth. Kyngston, John Barlowe, clk., Ric. Lygyn, Thos. Wytyngdon, Rouland Moreton, Nic. Wykes, John Arnolde, Arthur Parter, John Gyse, John Huntley, Geo. Bayneham, Ric. Reede, Rob. Whytney, John Poyner, Leonard Pole, David Broke, Rob. Wye, Thos. Holte, Ric. Hassall, Thos. Matson, Ric. Coton, James Clyfford, Thos. Lane, Ric. Brayne, Peter Ketford. Westm., 26 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 6*d.*

35. The dean and canons of the free chapel of St. Mary and St. Stephen in Westminster Palace. Privilege of retaining from time to time for divine service in the said chapel and elsewhere in the said palace as many priests, chaplains, and clerks as they shall deem expedient, with power to remove them at pleasure; each of the said priests, &c. to be a King's chaplain and to possess the same privileges as other King's chaplains, and to be capable of holding other benefices without residence, notwithstanding the Act 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 20.

36. Alpin Loren, a native of France Denization. Westm. Palace, 16 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 14.

37. Will. Betun, the King's chief organist. Annuity of 20*l.* for life. Westm. Palace, 24 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 36. *Rym. XIV.*, 584.

38. Will. Gybson, of Burneham, Norf., clk., Carmelite friar and co-brother of John prior of Burneham, Ric. Malyot *alias* Maryot, of Welles, Norf., yeoman *alias* mariner, John Grygeby *or* Greggby, of Langham, Norf., clk., rector of the parish church of Langham, Thos. Penny, of Houghton near Walsingham, husbandman, John Puntte *or* Punte, rector of Waterden, Norf., Rob. Hawker *or* Hauker, of Walsingham *alias* of Walsingham Parva, Norf., butcher, and Will. Yonger of Walsingham *alias* of Feltwell, Norf., clk. Pardon of all treasons, rebellions, &c. committed by them before the 1st Aug. last. *Del.* Westm., 27 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27,

39. Cuthbert Oxley, licentiate of theology. Licence to accept and hold for life one cure or other incompatible benefice without personal residence. Westm. Palace, 28 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Nov. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 20.

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40. Hen. Palmer, one of the horsemen-at-arms in the King's great retinue in Calais. Lease of divers parcels of waste land adjoining and within the forest of Guysnes, called Dryes in co. Guysnes, Marches of Calais; with reservations; for 21 years; at the annual (new) rent of 15*s*. *Del.* Westm., 28 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.—S. B. b. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 21.

41. Commissions of the Peace.

Herts: Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Hen. earl of Essex, Thos. earl of Rutland, J. bp of Lincoln, T. bp. of Ely, Hen. lord Morley, Sir John Spelman, John Baker, Attorney-General, Sir Ric. Riche, Sir Hen. Parker, Sir John Russell, sen., Sir Giles Capell, Sir Griffin (*sic*) Dune, Sir Philip Butler, John Goodryke, John Bolles, Geo. Hyde, Edw. Brokett, John Peryent, sen., John Conyngesby, John Bassyngbourne, Thos. Knighton, John Gyll, John Newporte, Rob. Dacres, Will. Gery, John Sewster. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 10*d.*

42. *Suffolk:* Thos. abp. of Canterbury, Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, John earl of Oxford, Rob. earl of Sussex, Will. earl of Southampton, T. bp. of Ely, Thos. lord Wentworth, John abbot of Bury St. Edmunds, Sir John Baldewyn, Sir Ric. Lyster, Sir Chr. Willoughby, Sir Geo. Somersett, Sir Arthur Hopton, Sir Anth. Wyngfelde, Sir John Hevynghame, Sir Thos. Tyrrell of Gyppyng, Sir Humph. Wyngfelde, Sir John Wylloughby, Sir Thos. Tay, Sir Will. Rowse, Sir John Corwales (*sic*), Sir Will. Walgrave, jun., Sir John Jernyngam, Sir Thos. Barnardeston, Sir John Wyseman, Anth. Rowse, Thos. Jermyn, Ric. Warton, John Sprynge, Lionel Talnage, John Sulyerd, John Gooderyke, Hen. Gooderyke, Geo. Colte, John Barnard, Rob. Downes, Rob. Crane, John Harvye of Oulton, Rob. Roockwood, Rob. Broun, John Harman, jun., Edm. Lee, Will. Reede, Thos. Danyell of Sudbury, John Southwell, Hen. Doyle, Thos. Sekford, Walter Wadland, Rob. Reynolde, son of Rob. Reynolde, sen., Rob. Ryse, Clement Higham, Hen. Hubbert. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 10*d.*

43. *Lincoln Castle:* Commission of Gaol Delivery to Sir Will. Skypwith, Sir Will Askue, John Mounson, John Seyntpoll, John Hennage, Anth. Missenden, Anth. Eirby, Ric. Ogle, Rob. Wallpoole, and Geo. Seyntpoll. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19.

44. Sir Michael Lyster and dame Margery his wife. Acquittance and discharge of the jewels, treasure, and money of the late Queen Consort Jane, which the King, at the said Queen's desire, committed to the custody of the said dame Margery, and which she delivered into the King's own hands at Westminster Palace on the 22nd inst. Westm. Palace, 28 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 18. (*In English.*)

1151. Cromwell's "Remembrances."

R. O.

Touching Mr. Sulyard's fee, to declare to the King that Mr. Inglefelde had 150*l.* a year besides his judge's room and assises and many other offices, and therefore 200*l.* would be meet for Sulyerd. Concerning Sir Geo. Darcy. Concerning Sir Marmaduke Constable, the younger. Of the hunting in Kent, and to declare the confession. Touching the earl of Worcester and my lord Ferrers for the stewardship of Abruswyth (Arustley ?) and Kevylyoke. For the assignment of the pensioners in the North for their fees at Christmas.

In Cromwell's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

2. Another set of "Remembrances."

Titus B. I. f. 437. B. M.

First to call for the copy of the commissions for the Marches and also the warrant for their diets. To cause the bill and indenture for Horseley to be signed. My bills for [the justices of the Forest],* the high-steward of the earl of Northumberland's lands; the high-steward with making all officers as receivers and under-stewards of Furness with a reasonable fee. My lease of the demesnes of Furness to be signed. To declare the payment of the debts of the Great Wardrobe; and also the Queen's burial. To despatch the duke of Saxony's messenger [and to declare the news of

* Cancelled.

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Germany].* To show St. Jermayn's opinion upon the Bishops' book. To remember Sir John Wallope, Sir Thos. Hennege, Ralph Sadler, Peter Mewtes, Wm. Twaytes, young Ralph Evers, John Freman, the Chancellor of the Augmentations, the Master of the Rolls, the King's attorney, Hynde the serjeant, Cattelyn of the Temple, Broke common serjeant of London, Sir Wm. Pickeryng, my lord Chancellor, the earl of Oxford for both his bills, my lord Lisle, my lord Chamberlayne, John Gostwike. To send Dr. Peter to Coventry and Combe. To send Dr. Lee to Muchelney.

Added in Cromwell's own hand: To remember specially the despatch of Mr. Sulyerd. To declare the examination of the prior [of] Newborough by my lord of Durham and other of the Council, and of their opinions. Touching the finding of the office in Yorkshire of the manor of Thorpe Bulmer to be within the shire of York, whereas the same is within the bishopric of Durham. For answer to be made to my lord of Durham's letters. A letter to be directed to Calais for the Bryton's wines. To appoint certain doctors to hear the cause of Mons. de Rochepott's agents here against Saturday. To know whether the lords will give any New Year's gifts to my lord Prince. For the signature of Mr. Wriothesley's bill. Letters to be sent into Kent touching the weirs. Touching the Household. [My lord of Norfolk touching his daughter. My lady Mary for more money].* To remember the execution of the clipper of money to be done to the example of other. To remember the examination of my lord Marquis' bearward and Payn his fellow. To send for the rest of the hunters unto Sussex with all speed. To examine Sir Henry Parker and Sir John St. John for hunting. Order to be taken for Tyrrell's wife, a great offender. To send for the abbots of Boxley and Robertsbridge with speed. To remember my lady Wallope to send her a kirtle cloth. To take order for my office of the justice of the forests. To cause a *congé d'élire* to be made for St. Albans. "To send for Belyngham of Sussex to know the state." To send specially for one Banester into Sussex, who is a principal hunter. To despatch Sir Thomas Strange and Dr. Leighton unto Norfolk "for the taking of the knowledge of Westacre." To know the true value of the goods of Castellacre for my part thereof. To appoint the New Year's gifts which I will give this year. To speak with the abbot of Tower Hill for Coggeshall for Thomas Seymor. A proclamation for the false and clipped coin going in this realm; with a great punishment to every person that shall be found with any false or counterfeit money. My lord marquis of Exeter. The French ambassador's allegation to Thos. Solemownt. My lord of Norfolk for Pope. For the sending of such persons as shall go unto the Emperor, French king, the king of Denmark, and other the states of Germany, as Kern, Thyrlbye, Skyp, Thykstyll, Tayler, Boner, Mounte and other. Sir Thomas Palmer of Calais. Sir Wm. Pikeryng. Wm. Byrche to be remembered. To remember Sir Piers Dutton. To set order for making ready of Lewes and to have a book made of the stuff that shall go thither. Touching the deceit in the Subsidy.

Pp. 4. *Headed:* Remembrances.

3. Another set, partly identical with the preceding.

Titus B. I. 431. B. M. "First, my bills for the high-stewardship of the earl of Northumberland's lands, the high-steward, with making all officers as receivers and under-stewards of Fourneys, with a reasonable fee." To remember Sir John Wallop, Sir Thos. Hennege, Ralph Sadler, Peter Mewtys, Wm. Thwaytes, Ralph Yvers, John Freman, the Chancellor of the Augmentations, the Master of the Rolls, the King's attorney, Hynde the serjeant, Cattelyne of the Temple, Broke common serjeant of London, Sir Wm. Pikering, my lord

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1151. CROMWELL'S "REMEMBRANCES."—*cont.*

Chancellor, the earl of Oxford for both his bills; my lord Lisle, my lord Chamberlain, John Gostwike. "Item, touching the finding of the office in Yorkshire of the manor of Thorpe Bulmer to be within the shire of York, whereas the same is within the bishopric of Durham. Item, to appoint certain doctors to hear the cause of Mons. de Rochepott's here against Saturday. Item, touching the King's Council. Item, to remember the execution of the clipper of money, to be done to the example of other." To remember the examination of my lord Marquis' bearward and Payne his fellow. To send for the rest of the hunters into Sussex. Order to be taken for Tyrell's wife, a great offender. To send for the abbots of Boxleye and Robertsbridge with speed. To send my lady Wallop a kirtle cloth. To take order for my office of justice of the forests. To cause a *congé d'élire* to be made for St. Albans. "To send for Belingiam of Sussex to know the state." To send especially for one Banestre into Sussex, who is a principal hunter. To know the true value of the goods of Castellacre, for my part thereof. To speak with the abbot of Tower Hill, for Coggeshall for Thos. Seymor. A proclamation for false and clipped coin, and great punishment for possessors of false money. The French ambassador's allegation to Thos. Soulemont. The sending of such as shall go to the Emperor, the French king, the king of Denmark, and the other German States, as Carne, Thurlebie, Skippe, Thickstill, Taillor, Boner, Mounte, and other. Sir Thos. Palmer of Calais, Sir Wm. Pickering, Wm. Byrche, Sir Piers Dutton. To set order for making ready of Lews, and to have a book of the stuff that shall go thither. Touching the deceit in the Subsidy.

Added in Cromwell's own hand: To remember to send my lord of Winchester two horses. To speak for Sir John St. John and Sir Hen. Parker. To send John Apryce, Dr. Tregonwell, and the Lieutenant* to examine the clipper, Tyrrell's wife, Bright, Philip Clerke, and other that be in the Tower. To send to Williamson to prepare and provide carriage for the stuff for Lewse. To take an end with Bellingham and other for such leases as be out. My lord Steward's suits. My lord of Derby. Eryon a Brereton. Signature of Robt. Dacre's bill. Matth. Boynton for the stewardship of Bridlington. To show the King what I have done for the house at Lewsham. Sir Wm. Godolgan's bill. Sir John Dudley. To send to the bp. of London for Hakneye. To speak to Thawytes (*sic*) to be my deputy in Gawteres forest. To cause a book to be made of all the forests, parks, and chaces beyond Trent and to take order for officers in the same. To speak with the officers of the Exchequer for the Subsidy. Speak with Thos. Argall for the view of all the inventories made these four years, and to set men awork to engross and cast them up. To send out my letters to all monasteries for their stay. To view the book of the charge of a law day.

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1152. WILLIAM SULYARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Perceiving by your Lordship's letters the King's pleasure touching my repair to the Marches of Wales and my slack setting forward to the same. "These great late worldly chances" wherein your Lordship was busied, caused me to stay lest I should importune you. The Council there being adjourned to next term, I shall meantime prepare to be at the next Council, and beg your Lordship to tell the King so.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell and lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* Walsingham, lieutenant of the Tower.

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[1 Dec.] **1153.** Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor, to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv., 198. B. M.

To-day, lord Borough will wait upon you, and I have ordered lady Borough* to do so likewise. Though perhaps you cannot end the matter, because of the absence of lord Borough's son, yet you may order lord Boroughe to pay the 25*l.* for her finding this half year, considering that he promised to do so before your lordship, the earl of Hampton, and me, especially as it was lord Borough's fault allowing his son to depart so suddenly before you could have him and lady Borough together. Last night I received your letter requiring a *dedimus potestatem* to be directed to Mr. Shelley, the judge, to take knowledge of a fine and recovery of the abbot and convent of Tichfield to the King's use. Sent yesternight with speed to Croke for the course thereof; but if the abbot and convent are content to give their monastery, a deed of gift might be made thereof and of all their lands, acknowledged before Mr. Shelley, the judge, and so enrolled; whereas a fine and recovery cannot be executed till the term, and if the house be dissolved before the execution, it is as if a man died before executing a deed. Will examine precedents with Croke, who will be with him this morning. The commission of sewers is despatched, for Audeley commanded Stokysley to make them forthwith, and also the patents of Cromwell and the duke of Norfolk.† Written this Saturday morning.

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1 Dec. **1154.** Cromwell and Norfolk.

R. O.

A memorandum that Thomas duke of Norfolk, 1 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., upon the partition then made between him and Thomas lord Cromwell, of the lands of the late priories of Lewes and Castleacre, did grant to the said Lord Cromwell and his heirs his manor of —— (*blank*), Suss., and all his lands in the town and suburbs of Lewes, Sussex. Witnesses, Richard Crumwell and Richard Pollard, who have subscribed this bill the day and year above written.

Written and signed by Pollard, but not signed by Ric. Crumwell.

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1 Dec. **1155.** French Wines.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 150. B. M.

Mandate to the bailiffs of Colchester for the publication of a proclamation regulating the sale of French and Gascon wines according to the tariff laid down by the lord Chancellor Audeley, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Treasurer of England, Charles duke of Suffolk, president of the Council, Thos. lord Cromwell, keeper of the Privy Seal, Sir John FitzJames, Chief Justice of the King's Bench, and Sir John Baldwyne, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, in pursuance of the Act 23 Hen. VIII., viz., every tun of the best Gascon or French wine to be sold at 7 marks. Small and thin wines to be sold at lower rates as the buyers and sellers can agree. Westminster, 1 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 2.

1 Dec. **1156.** Cranmer to Henry VIII.

Strype's Cr. II. 732. Wilkins III. 828.

Nominating Ric. Yngworth, S.T.P., prior of Langley Regis, and John Codenham, S.T.P., to the King, in accordance with the Act of Parliament, for the selection of one of them to be bishop of Dover. Lambeth, 1 Dec. 1537, 29 Hen. VIII.

Lat. From Cranmer's Register.

* From what follows it would seem that this was not lord Borough's wife, but his son's, the matter, no doubt, being the question of her child's legitimacy (*See* Nos. 1072–3). If so, the first footnote in Vol. VIII., p. 226, is wrong so far as regards the statement that her letters are inaccurately endorsed; for she seems to have borne the title "lady Borough."

† *See* Grants in December, Nos. 6, 24, and 30.

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1 Dec. **1157.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I think I sped the better for your ladyship's prayer. "Robert ap Raygnold showed me that your ladyship did bless me after that I had taken my leave of your ladyship. I think not the contrary but that God held up your hand, for I ensure your ladyship we were once like to have very full (foul) weather, but God heard some good prayers that were offered up for us; so that at length about 2 of the clock at afternoon we were landed against Lydd within six miles of Rye." There, as my lord Howard was with us, we could for no money get horse; for my lord and his train, of course, would be first served. At last, with much ado, and the loss of two days' journey, we got to Dover. I think we sped the worse for having so many lodesmen, for there were two boats that came to Dover by noon the day we departed, and were at Calais two hours after us. I met Mr. Corbett at Gravesend, who has bought a coffer for each of your ladyship's daughters, and a petticoat for Mrs. Katharine. He says she must have a new chamlet gown, and will need no other all the winter. Mrs. Anne will need nothing till her mourning gear be cast off; but both will require money against Christmas. I will speak with lady Sussex and lady Rutland and the gentlewoman, and let you know what order is taken. Bery and Harys send commendations. I desire to be commended to Mr. Basset and his fere. Gravesend, 1 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

1 Dec. **1158.** THOMAS SCOT, of Pitgorno, to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. v. 125. The bearer Rosay Herald is sent to the king of England about the conservation of the peace, touching aid given by officers and others on the borders to fugitives from Scotland who are "resett" in England and in the neutral ground, which latter "is now bot ane spelunc and hurd of thewis." Lately heard a servant tell his King (James) that in Flanders he intended to have "coft" (bought) a young lion for the King, but, while absent on other business, another bought it for the king of England. Said that had Henry known James wanted it he would have "prepynit" it to him. Suggests that such a present would give James much pleasure. Edinburgh, 1 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[2] Dec. **1159.** SIR THOS. AUDELEY, Chancellor, to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. IV. 195. B. M.. Touching the dissolution of Tychefeld, wrote last* that a deed of gift by the abbot and convent to the King, sealed and acknowledged before Mr. Shelley or some other judge of record, would be sufficient. If, however, Cromwell will have a fine or recovery, explains how it may be taken.

Lady Borough says you are her good lord, for which I thank you. Please take a final end in the matter and rid me of a suitor. Remember my lord of Oxford for his two bills which you have. I send a bill exhibited to the King and delivered to me for the matter of exchanges and beg you to take some pain therein. I perceive the merchants will have their liberal exchanges without licence or "shyppege." Please let me know your pleasure. Sunday morning.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* December.

1160. LORD CHANCELLOR AUDELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Hears this morning that his friend John Oonly is like to die.† Is not a little sorry, for he is a right honest discreet man. Asks Cromwell, if he die, to move the King that Southwell may have the office of attorney, which

* *See* No.

† He was dead at least before the 6th December 1537. *See* Sir R. Ryche's letter, No. 1178. This letter of Audeley's may be some weeks earlier.

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it were reasonable he had, as he has served the King well in the office of solicitor; and that John Lucas, of the Temple, may have the office of solicitor. He is a right well learned and discreet person. He will give Cromwell 10*l.* for wine. The fee is but 10*l.* Prefers him without any profit to himself, because he knows him to be a right honest man and no common meddler in causes, whereby he may give the better attendance.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Dec. **1161.** THOMAS LEGH, LL.D., to CROMWELL.
R. O. As at this time I cannot repair to your lordship myself, please extend your goodness to my kinsman and godfather Sir James Laborne: that, whereas Sir John Lamplowe and others spoke with you this afternoon (who, I suppose have your favour), he too may have expedition in his business and speak to you himself, and be tried by my lord of Durham and others of the country of his demeanour (if so charged). Please be good to him, for otherwise he is as a man desperate. It is no small grief to him to lose his service and the charges he has been at in it through the malice of those who love him not. London, Sunday, 2 December. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Thomas Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Dec. **1162.** WILLIAM HARPER.
R. O. Account of "ready money and other" (*i.e.* bonds) delivered by Will. Ostryche to Will. Harper of London, brewer, and also received by Ostryche of Harpyn (*sic*). The dates range from 28 March 1537 to 2 Dec. following.
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3 Dec. **1163.** JOHN HODGKIN, S.T.P., BISHOP SUFFRAGAN OF BEDFORD.
See GRANTS in DECEMBER, No. 5.

3 Dec. **1164.** CROMWELL.
See GRANTS in DECEMBER, No. 6.

3 Dec. **1165.** [STEPHEN VAUGHAN to the ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.]
R. O. It was intended to put up a bill of complaint to my lord my master against your grace for breaking the ancient customs of the collegiate church at Ripon in choosing officers and otherwise. Thinking it to be untrue I have stopped the exhibition of it, and send it to you, not doubting that you will attempt no such thing, but rather, if any of them are wayward, take such order as shall neither redound to the breach of the said customs nor the discommodity of the church. London 3 Dec.
In Vaughan's hand, p. 1.

3 Dec. **1166.** PAUL III., CHARLES V., AND FRANCIS I.
Chigi MS. Notice (from the *Diaria Martinellis*) of the Pope's decree given in secret consistory, Monday 3 Dec. 1537, appointing thanksgiving to be made in the city and district "propter initam" (*sic*) between the Emperor and French King and prayer for future peace.
Latin. Extract from a modern copy in R. O.

4 Dec. **1167.** CROMWELL to JOHN DORAUNT, of Ketismer, Escheator in Cos. Northampton and Rutland.
R. O.
Encloses the office of Husey, which it is the King's pleasure, he shall cause to be found in due course, of all the possessions of the said Husey, attainted of high treason, at the time of his attainder, within Doraunt's office. The Nete, 4 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*
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4 Dec. **1168.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 357.

Has written to the wardens of the goldsmiths requiring them to take a view of the pix belonging to the mint at Canterbury, but they want a commandment from another of the Council besides Cranmer, as in times past. Asks Cromwell to sign the enclosed bill, the master and comptroller of the mint being now in town. Lambeth, 4 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Dec. **1169.** THOMAS LORD DACRE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have received your lordship's letters, wherein I perceive your benevolence towards the frailness of my youth in considering that I was rather led by instigation of mine accusers than of my mere mind to those unlawful acts, which I have long detested in secret. I perceive your lordship is desirous to have knowledge of all riotous hunters, and shall exert myself to do you service therein. I beg you give credence to Mr. Awdeley, with whom I send some of my servants to be brought before you; he can inform you of others who have hunted in my little park of Bukholt. Herstmounceux, 4 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Dec. **1170.** ST. AUGUSTINE'S CANTERBURY.

Close Roll, 29 Hen. VIII. p. 2, no. 6.

Grant to the Crown of the park called Chistlet Park in Kent, with the game in the said park and the house called the Lodge. Chapter House of St. Augustine's Canterbury, 4 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. Acknowledged 10 March, 29 Hen. VIII. before Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls, in the chapter house of St. Augustine's.*

4 Dec. **1171.** WARDON ABBEY.

R. O.

Surrender of the monastery with all its possessions in cos. Beds, Hunts, Camb., Ntht., Bucks., Midd., and elsewhere in England and Wales and the marches thereof, 4 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Hen. Emeri, abbot, and 13 others. *Seal broken at foot.* [*See* Eighth Report of Dep. Keeper of Public Records, App. II. 47.]

Enrolled [*Close Roll p.* 1, *No.* 12] with mem. of acknowledgment, same day, before Ric. Layton, clk., and Wm. Petre, clerks or masters in Chancery.

R. O.

2. Office copy of the "Valor" of the monastery of Wardon, Beds (*see* Valor Eccl. IV., 193), attested by Richard Pollard.

Large paper, pp. 2.

4 Dec. **1172.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 5.

On receipt of Cromwell's letters by bearer, made as much secret search as the time would permit, but thinks no search could have found one meet to be likened to "that noble Raynge." There is in the Court waiting upon the Queen the daughter of the lord of Breidrood, 14 years old and of goodly stature, virtuous, sad, and womanly. Her mother, who is dead, was daughter to the cardinal of Luike's sister; and the Cardinal would give her a good "dote." There is the widow of the late earl of Egmond, who repairs often to Court. She is over 40, but does not look it. There is the duchess of Milan who is reported a goodly personage and of excellent beauty. The duke of Cleves has a daughter, but there is no great praise either of her personage or her beauty. Has little experience amongst ladies, but has

* The first words and the conclusion of this document are printed in Rymer XIV. 592, among a number of monastic surrenders, just as if it were in the same form with the others, a surrender of the monastery itself.

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written the truth as nigh as he can learn, and leaves further judgment to others. Yesterday friar Peto showed him the enclosed letter and was content, at Hutton's advice, to send it to Cromwell with offers of allegiance to the King and service to Cromwell. There is truce between the Emperor and French King till the 1st March; and meanwhile, to conclude a peace, the Emperor has sent lord Chovos and Granvella, and Francis the Cardinal of Lorraine and the Grand Master. One party goes to Perpignan, the other to Narbonne. On the 15th inst. the Emperor will be at Barcelona, and Francis at Pesulano. Wrote that the Duchess of Milan would keep Christmas with the countess Palatine her sister; her purpose is now changed and she will be in Court in eight days. The men of arms from the frontier are stayed and shall not follow the enterprise of Gelderland. Brussels, 4 Dec.

Begs favour for his brother Dean concerning certain lands and houses in Eyton.

Hol. Add.: Privy Seal. *Sealed and Endd.*

5 Dec. **1173.** Cromwell to the Bishop of Chester.

Titus B. I. 407. B. M. Ellis 1st S. II. 100.

About a twelvemonth past the King pardoned a company of lewd persons calling themselves Gipcyans, for a shameful murder, on condition that they should avoid the realm by a certain day long since expired. As they still linger and commit felonies unpunished you shall inquire if there be any such about you or in the shires adjoining, and compel them to depart to the next seaport to take ship with the first wind, and if they break that command to see them executed. The Neate, 5 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Add.: My lord of Chester, president of the Marches of Wales.

5 Dec. **1174.** Prudhoe Castle, Northumberland.

R. O.

Copy of an indenture made 5 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. between the King and Thomas Carye, esquire; that whereas by letters patent of the 3rd inst. the King has given Thomas Cary the custody of Predo Castle in Northumberland for life, the latter binds himself to live there with his family the most part of every year, to leave there, when absent, a substantial lieutenant who can at need call in the tenants of the lordship and the neighbours to defend the castle, and to maintain a porter and two warders; also to hold the castle for the King, his heirs and successors according to the limitation of the Statute of Succession, and to answer for all lead, iron, glass, standards, &c. within the castle.

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* The minute for the indenture of Mr. Cary.

5 Dec. **1175.** Archbishop Lee to Cromwell.

R. O.

Reminds Cromwell of the book of device for the increase of preachers and for other things comprised in his letter to Cromwell by his chaplain before he left London. The particulars were:—(1.) An order to be taken to increase the number of residentiaries at York. (2.) Good order to be taken in the church of Ripon, where now resides only Draggeleye, "a man nothing meete to govern such a church." (3.) One Joye, a layman, having *prebendam sacerdotalem* in the said church against the ordinance; if Cromwell could induce Joye to resign, and would give it to some wise and sad man who should reside there, it would be a great benefit. (4.) The probate of the testament of the late bishop of Carlisle for the goods remaining in Lee's province; for the archbishop of Canterbury could only prove for what lay within his province, as the bishops of Bath and Durham, arbiters indifferently chosen, have declared. Means hereby only the maintenance of the rights his predecessors used, and begs Cromwell's favour that he may do as the archbishop of Canterbury does in his province. Has written now b[y Mr.] Babthorpe to Dr. Bellices and Mr. Sulemount to remind Cromwell

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of these things. For the benefice of Byngham he trusts Cromwell will appoint a good clerk, a preacher, as he hears Sir Brian Stapleton has given Cromwell the nomination. Has sequestered the fruits to the behoof of him that shall have it; it is the best benefice in that country. Cawodd, 5 Dec. 1537. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Dec. **1176.** David Beton.

Brady's Episc. Succ. I. 125.

5 Dec. 1537.—The Pope provided to the church of Mirapoix, void by the death of Ph. de Senis, David Betton, clk., of St. Andrew's Diocese, at the nomination of the French king.

Lat. Printed from a Florence MS.

1177. Sir Fras. Bryan to Cromwell.

R. O.

I thank your lordship for your great kindness to me and my friends. I forgot, when last with you, to move you for a friend of mine concerning Mr. Oneley's office, called the Attorney of the Augmentations. I beg your lordship to help Mr. Molinex to it. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Dec. **1178.** Sir Richard Ryche to Cromwell.

R. O.

Requires to know whether he shall attend on the King for the signing of many bills concerning his Grace's exchange. Mr. Monnokes, late (*sic*) alderman, secretly conveyed his lands to young Monnokes, his cousin, who is dead,* leaving an heir within age, who is the King's ward, if the secret conveyance may come to light. Learns this from one who has seen the conveyance. Desires Cromwell to move the King that the writer may have the said ward for his money. If the King object that he has already the preferment of Mr. Onley's son, Cromwell may say there is doubt whether the latter is the King's ward, and if he be, Ryche has no land during the life of Mrs. Onley. Would show what secret conveyance has been used to defraud the statute. Augustine Friars, St. Nicholas day. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* vj° Decembris.

6 Dec. **1179.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s Letters 358.

When last at Court, not finding Cromwell there, was a suitor to the King for Sir John Markeham, declaring his service to his Grace's grandame and to himself in all his wars since his coronation, and also how unfeignedly he favours the truth of God's word. Found the King well-minded towards him, and asks Cromwell to set forward his suit. Forgot to tell the King that this is the first thing Markeham has asked of him. Lambeth, 6 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Dec. **1180.** T. Magnus to Cromwell.

R. O.

Wrote before Whitsunday that he was desirous to come up specially to see the King. Was immediately vexed with a disease in one of his legs, as my lord of Durham knows, and is not yet clean whole. Intends to come up immediately after "the deep time of this winter." Begs him to accept the "poor thing" enclosed. York, 6 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* *See* Inquis. p. m. on Thomas Monoux, the cousin in question, taken 25 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. (No. 6), at which time Alderman Monoux was alive. Thomas Monoux died 4 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., leaving his son and heir Geo. Monoux 8 years old.

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6 Dec. **1181.** The Prior of Newburgh.

R. O. Information given at York 6 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII., before the President and Council of the North, by Will. Witham of Derneton, Durham, of a conversation reported to him, yesterday, by Brian Boye, late keeper of the chapel of Newburgh, which took place between Mrs. Fulthorp of Isilbek and the prior of Newburgh. The former praised the service done by the duke of Norfolk; on which the latter said "It maketh no matter if one of them were hanged against the other," (meaning the King and Norfolk).

On this the prior was sent for to be at York next day, Mrs. Fulthrop and Brian likewise.

ii. Depositions:—(1) of Brian Boye of Owston, Yorks., 7 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., confirming the preceding. The conversation took place about Lammas last [most other witnesses say Trinity Sunday] when Mrs. Fulthrop went to pay her husband's rent, and the prior "fummellid the words softly out of his mouth, for it was then at afternoon, and the prior, as this deponent thinketh, was somewhat alye." Thinks nobody else heard them, though several others were present (mentioned in deposition); which prevented him mentioning the matter before. *Signed.*

Names of the canons of Newburgh most in favour with the prior:—Sir Thos. Rippon, Sir Jo. Wrangham, Sir Will. Browne. With names of four of the prior's servants most in favour with him.

(2.) Of Marg. wife of Will. Fulthorp of Isilbek, by which it appears that she and her husband had had a dispute with the prior, which Norfolk had settled in their favour, and she wished he had come into the country seven years earlier as it would have saved them 200 marks.

(3.) Sir Thos. Ripon, priest, denies hearing the words imputed to the prior. *Signed.*

And so also do Geo. Metcalf, the prior's servant, and Sir Will. Whithawe, priest.

(4.) John Pilmore of Sutton in Galtresse also bears witness to the conversation generally, but heard the prior speak no seditious words.

(5.) Sir Rowland Forster also bears like testimony. *Signed.*

(6.) John Fulthorp, s. and h. apparent to Will. Fulthorp of Isilbek, servant to lord Scrope of Bolton, gives evidence to the like effect. *Signed.*

Pp. 12. *Endd. Enclosing,*

iii. Declaration of the prior relating the circumstances and denying the charge entirely. He was very glad the Duke had settled the dispute.

Pp. 3, *in the prior's own hand and signed by him.*

iv. Deposition of Will. Barkar the subprior. [*Note at head:*—"This subprior confessed before the Council that he was cousin to Brian Boye."] That Brian Boee had told him that he "had great business" for words he had told Master Wytham of the prior, which he had declared to the Council, that John Boee, Brian's father told him the words his son reported the prior to have used and deponent told him not to repeat them. Communicated what he had heard to Sir Geo. Lawson in answer to inquiries and begged him to favour the prior; on which Sir George told him to say nothing about it. Told John Lambert, servant of the house, that Brian's business was not as we did judge and reported it in the chapter house, advising them to take counsel what should be done, &c.

Hol, pp. 2. *Signed by deponent.*

8 Dec. **1182.** Richard Ingworth, Bishop Suffragan of Dover.

See Grants in December, No. 13.

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8 Dec. **1183.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. According to the King's pleasure and yours, signified by your letters, I directed the King's letters to James Baskervyle, deputy-steward of Pembroke, for the arraignment of the Portingale who spoke seditious words. He was by 12 men found guilty, as appears by the deputy's certificate enclosed, but I have respited his judgment till the King's further pleasure. Mr. Richard Deveroux, deputy-steward of Arustley and Kevyliock, caused Ll'n ap Morice ap Res ap Atha (one of the Earl of Worcester's 2 servants who broke the gaol at Llanydlos and, amongst others, let out the fellow that railed against the King and your lordship, who is now in Shrewsbury gaol) to be arraigned and he is, by 12 men, found guilty, as appears by the copy of the process, enclosed. Him also I have caused to be respited, for I intend to arraign the said fellow, in ward here for railing, of treason, and the above named Ll'n ap Morice as accessory. I trust you will take the process and record in the Portingale's case in their true meaning, though it be not in due form, for there be no good "prenotories" in Wales. Shrowisbury, 8 December. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

8 Dec. **1184.** Wm. Abbot of York to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a patent for the chief-stewardship. Have made the fee 10*l.* which before was 6*l.* If there is anything in it not to his pleasure, will seal any form he sends. Has received his letters for Hugh Askeughe to have the tithes of Hornesey and rule of their waters there. Their provision of grain lies wholly about that place and they have no more tithes. Are at more charges some years by a "key" there than the whole lordship is worth by year, not only for their own profit, but for the defence of the country, which it would not be his ease to sustain. Asks his aid in this and such suits. Asks that they may use their refection house called the "fratere" for correction and reformation of vices and offences in the religion, and that his brethren preachers going to divers parish churches "may satisfy there for the sermons that should be done in our own church because there is more concourse of people." York, 8 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Dec. **1185.** John Milsent to [Cromwell].

R. O. On Thursday last John Whight of Lewes told me it was reported by some Grey friars in Lewes that the King was dead. The morrow after, Sir John Gaynesford,* high-sheriff of the shire, came to Lewes, and I desired him to send for Whight, who told us the friars were called Friar Richard and Friar Longe. Whereupon we sent for Friar Richard, who confessed that he said so to his brethren Friar Longe and Black Herry. We asked where he first heard the words: he stood amazed and at last said that a somyner who keeps an alehouse opposite the Friars' gate told him. The somyner, being sent for, utterly denied even hearing the words. It appears Friar Richard was the original of the abominable tidings; so we charged the "garden" of the Friars to see him safely kept till your Lordship's pleasure were known. Lewes, 9 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord my master. *Sealed. Endd.*

9 Dec. **1186.** Sir Harry Delves to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letter bidding him admit no one as under-sheriff without informing Cromwell what matters the King has to be put in ure this year in the shire. Has received a letter from the master of the King's

* Should be Nich. Gaynesford, who was sheriff of Sussex from Mich. 1537 to 1538.

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wards that the King should be truly served concerning the ward of Masse now to be found. Other matters there are, as of Damport of Hynbyrre and Swyttenam, now in hand. Asks whether he shall admit one after his own mind or else Thos. Hurleston. He sent for him but he delays to come. Denidtoun (Deddington), 9 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.:* The Sheriff of Cheshire.

9 Dec. **1187.** JOHN HUTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 6.

The duchess of Milan arrived here yesterday. She is 16 years old, very tall—taller than the Regent, of competent beauty, soft of speech, and gentle in countenance. She wears mourning after the manner of Italy. The stay between her and duke Gillum of Rav[estein], son and heir of the duke of [Cleves] is only to know the Emperor's pleasure. She is said to be both widow [and] maid. One of the council here suggests that the King should marry her, and the duke of Ravestein the lady Mary. She resembles one Mrs. Sheltun that used to wait on queen Anne. She commonly speaks French, but "can Italian and High Almeyn." Brussels, 9 Dec.

Hol. Slightly mutilated. Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

9 Dec. **1188.** JOHN HUTTON to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 7, note.

Transcript of the preceding letter, with a paragraph addressed to Wriothesley himself, desiring him to intercede for him in case his letter gives offence. Is anxious to promote a good alliance between the King and the Emperor. There is none in these parts for beauty of person and birth to be compared to the Duchess. "She is not so pure white as the late Queen, whose soul God pardon; but she hath a singular good countenance, and when she chanceth to smile there appeareth two pittes in her cheeks and one in her chin, the which becometh her right excellently well." Brussels, 9 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* 9 Dec. 1537.

10 Dec. **1189.** CROMWELL to [the IRISH COMMISSIONERS].

R. O. St. P. II. 519.

Has received their letter of 15 Nov. and declared it to the King, who thanks them for their pains in setting forth Parliament, &c. As to the rebellious attemptate of that traitor Bryan O'Conor, the King marvels that the Deputy and some of the Council have allowed themselves to be deceived by him. They are to "be plain" with the Deputy in declaring this oversight. They shall also make enquiry for secret abettors of the said Bryan. James FitzJohn of Desmond, a copy of whose submission is enclosed in their letters, is to be concluded with. Where he alleges both bastardy and treason against James FitzMaurice; if he can justify the treason he may rest assured that he and his posterity shall have good cause to pray for the King. Notwithstanding its prolixity and tediousness, they are to advertise the King fully of matters requiring reform and fulfil their charge, and Cromwell will get them licence to return home. Otlande, 10 Dec. 29 Henry VIII.

Copy, pp. 3.

10 Dec. **1190.** THE BISHOP OF DOVER.

Strype's Cr. 733. Wilkins III. 828.

Cranmer's commission to Ric. bp. of Dover to exercise episcopal functions as his suffragan. Lambeth, 10 Dec. 1537.

Lat. From Cranmer's Register.

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10 Dec. **1191.** Sir Fras. Bryan to Cromwell.

R. O. I write in behalf of Mr. Byrche, in whose favour you wrote to me for the preferment of Canons Ashby, which was passed before the receipt of your letters. Warden Abbey in Bedfordshire is now in the King's hands, and I beg you will get him part of it. London, 10 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

10 Dec. **1192.** John Uvedale to Cromwell

R. O. Has received his letter dated 4th inst., and is glad to part with anything that may be a pleasure to him. Asks him to be good lord to Geo. Buncheley, his deputy keeper there, a good archer and a singular good woodman, to whom he has given the whole fee, as Mr. Smyth the Queen's late surveyor, can report.

Encloses a letter to Thos. Brightma[n] of Westminster, bidding him deliver the patent of the office to Cromwell.

Asks Cromwell to find him, Cromwell's old true and steadfast friend, some place under the King or with the Prince. Had rather serve there for 40*l.* a year than here for 100*l.* The duke of Norfolk knew his mind herein at his sudden departure hence. Might perhaps be able to set forward some of Cromwell's good and godly purposes. York, 10 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

10 Dec. **1193.** H. Earl of Worcester to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for his letter, dated the Nete, 19 Nov., concerning the payment of 70*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* to Sir John Clerk and Dame Agnes, his wife, late wife of Nic. Pynchon, for which the writer is condemned by their suit. Complains of his suing him without previously asking for the money. Remembers that he had an old debt to Nicholas Pynchon. Has written to Thos. Atkyns, one of his counsel to conclude for the payment. Tynterne, 10 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Dec. **1194.** C. Lord of Howthe to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a cast of falcons and begs letters in favour of his suits in Chancery here to the lord Chancellor and Master of the Rolls. Howith, 10 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

10 Dec. **1195.** James Basset to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I am still at the college of Navarre. Mons. Le Gras has taken great trouble about me and it is his wish that every time I do not have a lesson I should be at his lodging—also when I am ill or tired—as if I were his son, and not only myself but my master with me. I will study hard. Will take pains that if I cannot speak Latin I may at all events understand it. My schoolmaster, who is my master and servitor, sends his respects. Paris, 10 Dec. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Debitis a Callays.

11 Dec. **1196.** Sir Richard Ryche and Robert Sowthwell to Cromwell.

R. O. At their late being with the King, at Oatlands, they informed his Grace that the demesnes of the late monastery of Newbo, Linc., whereof Sir John Merkham sues to be purchaser, were let to Mr. Haryngton for 21 years. On further search they have found that the lease is made to Mrs. Margery Horsman, by the King's command, who has since sold her interest to one Merkham, a near kinsman of Sir John. Mr. Haryngton has no interest in

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them. The timber will sell for 30*l.* Desire Cromwell to inform the King and advertise them of his Grace's pleasure. London, 11 December. *Signed*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Chancellor of the Augmentations.

[11] Dec. R. O. **1197.** Thos. Jakman,* Parson of Aston Clynton, to John Franckysh, Registrar to the Bishop of Lincoln.

On Monday after St. Hugh's day, about 3 or 4 p.m., there were at his house six or seven men, of whom the principal was a very tall man in a black short gown. The others wore grey frieze coats, all having beards but one, who was a little person in black raiment. Describes their horses. All had swords and bucklers except the principal, who had a single sword. Three or four had bows and arrows and one had a spear staff. All wore black thrummed hats of the new fashion. They had gold and silver of the writer's, to what sum he does not know, a silver salt and spoons, two rings, a notary signet as broad as a ryale, and other things; and also of his priest's, three rings, a pair of amber beads, and a crucifix. Aston Clynton, Tuesday before St. Lucy's day.

P. 1. *Add. Headed:* The copy of Mr. Jakman's letter.

11 Dec. R. O. **1198.** Sir George Lawson to Cromwell.

Has been at Berwick and paid the wages. Understands that Cromwell is steward of St. Mary Abbey and chief justice of the forests on this side Trent. Congratulates him and begs to be his deputy at St. Mary's and in Galtres Forest. York, 11 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Dec. R. O. **1199.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

Of late, upon the taking of the Portingale in Pembrokeshire, who spoke against the King's Majesty (who, I certified you of late, was found guilty by 12 men), this Council directed forth the King's letters to the mayors of Pembroke and Tenby to stay the ship and goods of the said Portingale. I am now certified by the mayors above-named (whose certificates I send) that the ship in which he arrived belongs to one Dugo Vernando of Avero in Portingale, and that the seditious Portingale is but a mariner in it. I desire to know your pleasure. Shrewisbury, 11 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. P.S. on a separate slip.

Remember my recompense for my house and rents. I assure your Lordship Wales was never in better order. As for the matter of Arustley, lord Ferrys will obey this Council.

In Bp. Lee's own hand, p. 1.

11 Dec. R. O. **1200.** Jacques de Coucy [Sieur de Vervins] to Lord Lisle.

Desires Lisle to procure him a greyhound. Boulogne, 11 Dec. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

11 Dec. Kaulek, 5. **1201.** Francis I. to Castillon.

Has received the answer made 20† Nov. to his letter of the 6th. Has taken in good part the overtures of marriage made by the lord Privy Seal. Will think it a great honour if the King take a wife in his realm, and there is

* He was rector of Aston Clinton at the time the *Valor* was taken in 1535. *See* Valor Eccl. IV. 248.

† Qu. 25th? *See* next No.

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no lady who is not at his commandment except Madame de Longueville, whose marriage with the King of Scots has been arranged. C. is to endeavour to ascertain what terms are desired for a treaty in connection with this marriage, both for offence and defence on either side. For since England desires the amity of France it should be established firmly with a clear knowledge of what one is to do for the other. Castillon knows by Francis' letter from Carmagnolle of the truce concluded with the Emperor. The army of Piedmont is strong, and it would have been easy to drive back the enemy into the duchy of Milan; but winter having commenced and provisions being scarce owing to the great devastations made by the enemy, the truce was very important to allow towns to be revictualled and fortified. Francis does not believe in the peace. If he has sent his cousins of Lorraine† and Grand-Master to Narbonne to see what the Emperor's deputies would propose it is only that he might not appear an enemy to the peace of Christendom, and to see if by this peace they would restore to him and his children what belongs to them. Francis will keep Castillon informed of what takes place further that he may notify the king of England. Lourmarin, 11 Dec. 1537.

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*** A copy of this letter is among Baschet's transcripts in the Record Office.

11 Dec. **1202.** BOCHETEL to CASTILLON.

Kaulek, 6.

Francis is writing in answer to Castillon's letter of the 25th ult., and says he takes favourably the overtures of marriage but is surprised at their putting his daughter in comparison with the others. Castillon will do well to entertain the king of England as well as he can, for the peace with the Emperor is not too secure. He must be on his guard also against the letters of (for ?) Francis being intercepted, for advantage might be taken of them by the Emperor. No doubt you will laugh at this warning as you are not likely to commit such a mistake, but you will excuse the name you have given me of *cuncta formidans*. Francis continues well and will be at Avignon in two days. The card. of Lorraine and the Great Master left five or six days ago for Montpellier. 11 Dec.

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*** A copy of this letter is among Baschet's transcripts in R.O.

11 Dec. **1203.** THE COMENDADOR MAYOR OF LEON AND GRANVELLE to AGUILAR.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 46. B. M.

By the despatch sent at the Emperor's departure from Monçon he will have heard of the suspension of hostilities agreed upon with M. de Velli. The Emperor is to go to Barcelona and the French king to Montpellier and their ministers to Narbonne and Perpignan to negociate further. From Monçon the Emperor went in post to Valladolid to see the Empress. Three days ago news came from the Marquis del Guasto that the suspension was accepted and proclaimed, &c.—The Council, the Turk, and the Venetians.

Spanish, pp. 5. *Docketed:* Roma 1537.—Al Marques de Aguilar de Barcelona, 11 Dec. 1537, del Comendador Mayor y Mr. de Grandvella. *Modern copy from the Archives of Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar V. ii. No. 171.]

† The card. of Lorraine.

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12 Dec. **1204.** Thos. Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received the letter and message of John Antony. As to the thing that he spoke of, sends the best that he has. Asks Cromwell to be good lord to them in a matter of which Anthony will tell him. Canterbury, Wednesday, 12 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Dec. **1205.** Hugh Abbot of Reading to Cromwell.

R. O. There is sprung up in our country the most lamentable tidings that ever was, that the King and the Lord Marquis of Exeter are dead.

The bearer, Nic. Wylkenson, his servant, was the first that showed it him. The Bere, 12 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Dec. **1206.** Adrian Dogan.

R. O. Warrant to lord Edmund Howard, comptroller of Calais, the vice-treasurer, and the bailey of Guisnes, to put Adrian Doogan in possession of the lands and tenements in the parish of Pittam, co. Guisnes, granted to him by patent, which Adrian Lynet, a stranger, purchased without the King's licence; and to put out Thos. Prestwiche *alias* Sandwiche, who on complaining of being unjustly ejected, obtained the King's letters in his favour. It now appears, by a certificate from the parish of Reke in Flanders and a declaration of Sir Peiro le Provost, otherwise Mons. de la Mote, knight for our body, and Will. Flower, Guisnes pursuivant, that the purchase made by the said Lynet, being a stranger, was against the statutes. Oteland, 13 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.

Copy, p. 1.

13 Dec. **1207.** Cromwell to Lord Leonard Grey.

R. O. Received letters by your servant, the bearer, which required no
St. P. II. 522. speedy answer; so I willed him to wait until further opportunity of writing occurred. Upon news of O'Chonnor's enterprise a post was despatched, and the bearer should have gone but was absent. I write this to excuse his delay. Let O'Chonner be hanged to the terrible example of all others, and let his treason be a warning to you, and all the King's servants there, "never to trust traitor after." Otelands, 13 Dec.

Copy, p. 1. *Headed:* To the lord Deputy.

13 Dec. **1208.** Edward Mountagu and Robt. Aprece to Cromwell.

R. O. Of late, in the east of Northamptonshire and in Huntingdonshire, there has been a report that the King and Prince were dead, which the writers have traced to one John Petyfer, of Kyngthorp, Northt., husbandman, whose examination they enclose. As Petyfer's informants dwell in Leicestershire, have bound him in 100*l.* to appear before the King's Council and bring his said informants. Desire to know the King's pleasure. Hemyngton, 13 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Deposition of John Petyfer of Kyngthorp, Northt., husbandman, examined before Edw. Montagu, King's serjeant, and Rob. Ap. Rice, 12 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., viz.: that he and Ric. Slade, of Woodford, rode together on 30 Nov. last to Leyre in Leicestershire, to speak with one ——— Townesende, of Froulesworth, whom they call a wise man, for counsel about things stolen from them. They lay that night at the house of John

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1208. Edward Mountagu and Robt. Aprece to Cromwell—*cont.*
Bryan, of Leyre, and on the morrow, 1 Dec., sent for Townesende. After speaking with him they departed homeward and baited their horses at Lutterworth, at the house of one Pryste, a wheelwright, where one ——— Harryson, of Lutterworth, harper, asked Petyfer, "What news hear you?" He replied he had none, and Harryson said it was rumoured that the King and Prince were both dead. Heard the same afterwards from Thos. Payne, of Thedyngworth, who, when Petyfer said he did not believe it, assured him that it was true, as he had heard from Rob. Mower, chaplain to Master Chauntrell, that his master had a letter from London to that effect, which Mower had read. Next day, 2 Dec., Petyfer came to his own house and told his wife, and on the 4th Dec. he reported it also to Thos. Bryde, who told it to other people.
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14 Dec. R. O. **1209.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.
I delivered the boar's head, with your Lordship's letter, to my lord Privy Seal at Oatland, which is now the King's house, and was sometime Mr. Read's. He said he would remember your lordship, and gave the boar's head to Sir John Russell. That night he was something acrased, and in the morning rode to Mortlake; so Husee came away, as he was informed that he would meddle with nothing but the King's causes for seven or eight days. Hopes, when the King comes near, he will be at more leisure, and then Husee will open to him at large Lisle's full mind. Delivered also to Sir John Russell Lisle's letters, both that which he brought himself and that which John Smith gave him, concerning Vycars; and he said he would spy out a time to move the King's Grace therein, advising Husee to come to him when the King drew near London. He thought if Lisle were here with the King, he would do well enough. My lord Privy Seal says he will set order about the water-bailey. Spoke to Mr. Porter for a *supersedeas* to discharge the first commission; and he said, if the surveyor's letters were not sufficient, he would sue no further for it. Husee, however, showed him Lisle's mind, and let him do as he thinks best. Delivered Lisle's letter to Mr. Payge, who, seeing he would have no nay, sent a token to the keeper of Haunworth Park for a grey and white pied gelding. Hopes he will at least serve for his journey into Devonshire. Spoke to Mr. Ric. Cromwell for the gelding he promised. He says he will appoint one for Lisle at his first coming to London. Sir John Daunce promises payment of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* at all times, and says one came to him last year in Lisle's name, saying that Lisle had sent him a barrel of herrings, but he heard nothing of them. As to the room that Mr. Vyllars had at Kybworth, his nephew is joint patentee with him by your grant, as Mr. Daunce and Mr. Windsor both say. Sends a letter of Mr. Windsor, with 11*s.*, which is part of the rent of Superton; and he delivered Husee 33*s.* 4*d.* Sends 140*l.* out of 144*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*, the balance of Mr. Windsor's account. The odd 4*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* he has bestowed on certain things for my lady. The King is good lord to Mrs. Anne, and has promised she shall have her place whenever the time comes. "It is yet unknown what his Grace intendeth, but it is judged she shall come out of France." Has not paid the merchant the 11*l.* who wrote to Lisle from Flanders. Delivered Lisle's letter to Sir Chr. Morys, and he promised to answer early. Harris left before my lady's letter came, but Mr. Rolles has conveyed it to him. The abbey of Warden is suppressed, and others are named to go down, as Peterborough, Ramsey, Sawtrey, St. Albans. It is thought most will go down by consent of their abbots and priors; so I trust something will fall to your lordship. As to your disease in the right side, the physician says you must beware of windy meats, as fish and fruit, and specially of late eating and drinking. He has promised a regimen in

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writing. Mr. Brian "cometh" over in post. Lisle should make him good countenance, as he is in a position to do him pleasure. Dover, 13 Dec.

Has waited three days to hear from his Lordship. Yesterday Mr. Brian, coming in post from Canterbury, was taken suddenly ill, and returned thither. Has remained these four days, expecting Lisle would send over for his money; for he wrote by Corbett that he would be here about this time. Wishes Justice had gone over with it, but he refused. Sends it now by John Donnygcourt and John Burnell, of Dover. The sum is 141*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Dover, 14 Dec.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. With memoranda on the back by Husee of sums paid.*

14 Dec. **1210.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I have delivered your tokens to my lady of Sussex, who sets not a little store by them. If you send her more of those conserves, I think she will make much thereof. I told her her stuff would come with the first fair weather. Mrs. Anne Bassett is merry, and thanks you for the letter and token you sent her. Both by my lady Sussex's report and Mrs. Stanings' she is clearly altered, and no fault can be found in her, so that I doubt not she will henceforth use herself discreetly. My lady Sussex wishes me to make her a gown of Lyon tawney satin, turned up with velvet, and to buy her a standard for her gowns, which I shall do before Christmas. No doubt when the time shall come she shall enjoy her accustomed place. Mrs. Staynings also shall be delivered when God shall send her hour, within my lord of Sussex's house at Mortlake, where my lady Sussex shall lie in, for my Lord shall in no wise part from her. Mrs. Staynings desires you to send her some old stuff. I have delivered the conserves to my lady Rutland, who was also in hand with me for her stuff, and I promised it should be sent at the first fine weather. Even when I left her and took horse, she sent her woman to me, Mrs. Katharine being there, to remind me. I delivered your letter and token to Mrs. Katharine. Both my lady of Sussex and lady Rutland have promised, when time shall come, to do their best to advance her into like place with her sister. Lady Rutland wishes me not to make her a satin gown, but only one of tawny camlet, &c. I have delivered her an angel besides the half angel you sent, as she made great complaint to me. I assure you she behaves herself well, and is beloved of young and old. I wish to know what New Year's gift she should give to my lady Rutland, and what to the gentlewomen and others. Mr. Pollard has ridden down himself about your weir, to see that it shall be made as others are. Mr. Rolles wrote to know your pleasure whether Mr. Pollard should lie at Umberlegh this Christmas. Tyldesley has been with me about the stuff, which he says was to be returned in eight weeks. I promised it should come with the first fair weather. Those of the late Queen's wardrobe cannot part with the travers, because it was never damned. Mr. Rolles has sent your letter to Mr. Harris into Devonshire, whither he was gone ere it came. I have received of Mr. Rolles 6*l.* 16*s.* 9½*d.*, and shall have of Mr. Dawnce 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for Mr. Villers' bequest to my Lord. I have received of Mr. Wynsor 149*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* according to his *debet*, after paying the chandler, and 33*s.* 4*d.*, which he delivered me of Sobberton rent, &c. I accordingly send by bearer 142*l.* 4*s.* I have bestowed 4*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* in stuff to send your ladyship to Calais against Christmas. Other reckonings. Mr. Bryan goes over now. He is in a place where he may do pleasure. No news but that divers abbeys are to be suppressed, and it is thought the most part will after. The King, it is said, intends not to be hasty in choosing of his fere and macke. Some judge she shall come out of France. Jesu send him such a one as may be to his contentation. I send you a bill of the money I received from Mr. Wynsor. Dover, 14 Dec.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add.*

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14 Dec. **1211.** JOHN HUSEE to [LADY LISLE].

R. O. I received your two letters by Clare, and a letter to Mr. Rolle, which I shall deliver with all speed. I send you Mr. Rolle's letter again. Mr. Pollard has already gone into Devonshire, but Mr. Rolles (*sic*) will certainly write him my lord and your ladyship's pleasure. I am sorry you have been so sick, but am glad to learn from Mrs. Reynold that you are well amended. I gave lady Rutland your thanks for the beadstones, as Mrs. Katharine desired me at my first coming thither. She shall have her camlet gown and kirtle of white taffeta against Christmas. When the wine and herring come they shall be delivered and your thanks given to the sergeant of the Cellar for his goodness to Mrs. Anne. Your velvet sleeves I shall see made. My lady Rutland wished me to write to you to help one of her men in wages in the retinue, and to inquire who it was, of Calais, who came to my lord of Westmoreland and said he had a hawk for my lord of Rutland. Mr. Bryan was coming over in post on this side Canterbury, and was suddenly taken ill and rode back to Canterbury, where he lies sore sick. You will receive, of John Donnyngcourt and John Burnell, 141*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in a bag. I would have had Justice go over with it, but he was too busy. I have tarried at Dover four days, thinking my lord would have sent hither for it. Dover, 14 Dec.

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14 Dec. **1212.** THE VICAR OF MUSTON.

R. O. i. Charges made at York, 2 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. by Alexander Caulf, William Lowndisburugh, and Rowland Ledebeter, with others of Mustone, in the parish of Hononebie, in the East Riding, against Sir John Dobsone, priest, vicar of Mustone.

(1.) For a year and a quarter he has not prayed for the King or set forth the Supremacy till Sunday, 25 Nov. last, after being remonstrated with by John Poskat, servant to Sir Ralph Ewre, jun. (2.) He has said, both in the church porch and the alehouse of Mustone, that the King would be driven out of his realm, and would return, and be content with the third part of it. (3.) Also that "he that beareth the E[agle], which is the Emperor, shall . . . . . his wings over all this realm . . . . . and shall rule it all at h[is pleasure, and] after that shall never be king in [England], but all shall be holden of the Emperor." (4.) Also, "that [the dun] cow, which is the bishop of Rome, is . . . . . casten in her stall, and she shall come into England jingling with her keys, and set the Church again in the right faith." (5.) Also, that "When the Crumme is brought low, Then shall we begin the Christis Cross row,"* meaning by "Crumme" my lord Privy Seal. (6.) That "the moon shall kin[dle] again, and take light of the sun, meaning by the moon the blood of the Perceis." (7.) That "the cock of the North, which he saith is the lord Lomeley, shalbe billed in the neck and the head, and after that he shall busk him and brush his feathers and call his chickens togethers, and after that he shall do great adventures." (8.) That "the scallop shells† shall be broken and go to wreck." (9.) The vicar had a book of the premises and other things.

The accusers affirmed this before the President, Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun., Robt. Bowes, Robt. Challoner, and John Uvedale, councillors, and in presence of the said vicar.

ii. Petition to the King and Council in the North, dated York, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., from John Dobson, vicar of Muston, stating that he was in

* For this and some other prophecies here referred to, see Part I., No. 318 (2). The letters which in that paper are "R. L. M." are here (in § vi.) distinctly "K. L. M."

† Apparently an allusion to the Dacre family (of Gilsland) whose arms were "Gu., 3 escallops, Or," (*Burke.*)

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Scarborough 20 Oct. 28 Hen. VIII., with Friar Chapman, warden of the Grey Friars, and Friar Borebee, prior of the White Friars there, when Chapman said he heard there was a prophecy going about, and Borobyn (*sic*) brought out a paper roll, which he read, and said to him, "Vicar, ye shall have it home with you, and look upon it, and send it me again within fourteen days." Did so, returning it by his nephew and servant, Wm. Bentley but took no copy of it, nor ever saw or heard other prophecies. *Signed.*

iii. Another petition of same date, confessing that he had a roll of prophecies from the prior of the White Friars of Sc[arborough], which [Merlion] and Thomas Ayslaydone* did make. The said "Thomas and Mer[lion] did rehearse in their aforesaid roll th[at] the ruff should be roughly rent, and the clergy should stand in fear, and fight as they seculars were; and when [the] black fleet of Norway was comed and go[ne] after in England should there be war never, [and] when A, B, C, is brought down low, then we will begin Christ's Cross rowe; then soon after of Saundieforth (?) of the south side shall there be a battle; a long man in red shall rise and go over at Darwyn (?) stayen, the rays of ceall (?) shall shine full bright of Berwick walls; the King of England shall have all the keys of Christendom to govern so long as God woll; the Eagle shall spread his wings and do much things; the cock of the North shall be plucked and pulled, and curse the time that ever he was lord; the moon shall lose her light, and after shall take light of the sun again; Thomas demandeth of Merlion and Bede saying, when shall all these things be? About the year of our Lord God a thousand v. hundred and xxxvij." Told this only to Stephen Rosse and Thos. Beforth and to "the pynder" and one or two Bylawe men.

iv. Wm. Layng examined: Heard the vicar say something about the "cock of the North."

v. Petition of John Borobie, prior of the White Friars, Scarborough, to the Council of the North at York, 5 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., stating that he had happened to meet a priest at Beverley at the Rogation days in the 28th year of the reign, who showed him certain prophecies, which began "Fra[nce] and Flanders, shall arise." It is in two sheets of paper, which he copied in St. Margaret's chapel. Does not know the name of the priest, whom he never saw before or after. Afterwards met the vicar of Mustone, whom he invited to his chamber with the warden of the Grey Friars, and let him see the said prophecies, which the vicar desired to have home, as he could not perfectly read them at the time, promising to return them in 14 or 16 days, which he did. Petitioner also being at Werthrope about St. Paul's Day 28 Hen. VIII., the vicar showed him a less quire than the other, with prophecies beginning "When the cock of the North hath builded his nest," which he asked to have home with him, and did not return. It lies in his chamber with a little tale of a "Cromme" and a "Christ's Cross rowe," which he had, copied, of a gentleman in Scarborough called William Langdale. Also, two years ago, one of his brothers brought deponent a scroll of paper which spoke of the black fleet of Norway and a child with a chaplet, &c. Enquired where he got it, and was told it belonged to a priest of Rudstone called Sir John Paikok, to whom he supposes it was returned, though his brother gave a copy to Wm. Langdale.

vi. Deposition of Wm. Langdale of Scarborough, at York, 8 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., stating that Master —— (*blank*), [prior] of the White Friars of Scarborough, had seen in his house a little roll of paper containing a prophecy in rhyme, otherwise called a "gargonne," which spoke of the learning of A, B, C, and K, L, M, and borrowed it of him for a few days. On returning it the prior lent him a long paper roll of prophecies, which when he went into the castle of Scarborough, he left behind him in a window of

* Thomas of Erceldoune, "the Rhymer."

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his house, and which, with other books, was stolen in his absence by the commons. He had the same "gargonne" of one Sir Thos. Bradley, priest, at Aton, who told him that he had it of Sir Ric. Stapleton, priest, at Sokbourne.

vij. Deposition of Thomas Bradley, priest, at York, 11 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., touching prophecies (mentioning Merlin and Bede and A. B. C. "and crumme in a man's throat, doth many man hurt God wot," &c.) read to him by Sir Ric. Stapleton, in the buttery at Ayton, in Pikringlight, about Michaelmas twelvemonth, of which he took a copy and gave it to Wm. Longdale.

viij. Deposition of Ric. Stapleton, priest, at York, 14 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., touching his meeting with one Wm. Langley, parish clerk of Crofte "in enloaning" (*qu.* in a loaning ?) between Crofte and Hawnabe, in Richmondshire, when the latter said he had a little prophecy, which he had not then with him, but promised to send him to Sokborne, and did so by a servant of deponent's master named John Yoye. There were certain letters in it, and "crummes." It was not past 12 lines, and went in metre. Gave a copy of it afterwards to Sir Thos. Bradley. Afterwards, when he came home by Gisburne on his master's business, he showed it to the kitchener there.

Pp. 9. *Apparently a copy, as the signatures of deponents are copied in the same hand. Endd.:* My lord of Duresme letters the 8* of Dec., with the examinations that came from York with the same.—The priest and the friars.

14 Dec. **1213.** Will. Pole to Lord Lisle.

R. O. All is rest and peace in these parts. All the Irish lords bordering on the English pale have put in their pledges and promised obedience to the King and his laws. How long it will continue I cannot tell. I thank your lordship and my lady for your daily goodness. When the room which was decreed for me falls vacant, please see it furnished with watch and ward till my return; which I hope will not be long. Commendations to Mr. Palmer and Mr. Rocwod. Dublin, 14 Dec.

†*Hol., p.* 1. *Add.:* deputy of Calais.

15 Dec. **1214.** T. [Lord] Wentworth to Cromwell.

R. O. [1536–8.] The abbot of Crowland has a farm called Knowefild with a "merche" adjoining, nigh a manor of mine in Lincolnshire. Please write to my lord of Crowland in favour of Adlarde Welby, tenant of mine, for the said farm. Nettilstede, 15 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Dec. **1215.** Sir Piers Dutton to Cromwell.‡

R. O. I thank your lordship for having me in remembrance for the sheriffwick of Cheshire. After the King had granted the stewardship of Halton to Sir Edw. Nevell, his Highness commanded that I should have the exercising thereof, and I think I have since brought it into better frame. Sir Edward now wishes to sell the office during the nonage of John Savage his son-in-law,§ which is for about 7 years yet to come, and Sir Will. Brereton offers

* Meaning 18th. † But not in Pole's own hand.

‡ *See* Vol. VIII., No. 22, which must have been written in the Jan. following the date of this letter.

§ Born probably about the end of the year 1525. He was over three years old on the 13 Jan., 20 Hen. VIII., when the inquisition was taken on his father, Sir John Savage, Senior. *See* Inquis. p.m. 20 Hen. VIII., No. 54. But this letter cannot be later than 1537, as Sir Edw. Nevell was attainted in Dec. 1538.

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him 100 marks for it. I wonder he would give so much, for it is but 100*s.* fee by year, unless it be for some other purpose. Some of my adversaries would rejoice if I were put from it so soon. As my house and manor of Dutton are within the circuit of the said office I beg you will move the King therein and give him the enclosed letter. Dutton, 15 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Dec. **1216.** Furness Abbey.

R. O. "Instructions to Sir John Lamplieu, knight, how he shall use and behave himself in his office under me the Lord Privy Seal at Furness."*

1. He is to keep his household on the site of the late monastery, and if compelled to remove by sickness he shall leave a substantial person resident with four able men. 2. He shall see the pile of Foderey well and substantially kept by two persons at least lying nightly therein; and on his arrival now at Furness he shall view the said pile and report what repairs are necessary. 3. At his coming he shall assemble the tenants and tell them that I, the lord Privy Seal, have made him my deputy, and that he is commanded by the King to see indifferent justice administered and that they shall be rather better used than when they were the abbot's tenants; but they must not assemble themselves at the command of any one except the King or me, his lieutenant, or my deputy. 4. He shall have a vigilant eye that all curates do their duty in setting forth the King's supremacy, and if he hear of any seditious person provoking diversity of opinion, either by open preaching or in secret, he shall put him in prison until further instructed. 5. He shall see that the steward who keeps the courts shall not take excessive fees, and 6. that the lead, iron, glass, stone, &c., now on the site of the house of Furness, and pile of Foderay or sent thither for their repair be duly employed to the King's use. 7. He shall cause all the tenants of the monastery: who are able, to furnish themselves with horse harness and weapons for the King's service. 8. He shall cause the courts to be kept as formerly and certify any matter of doubt hither. The Nete, 15 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed* John Lamplugh.

Pp. 4. *Endd.*

15 Dec. **1217.** Edmund Harvel to Cromwell.

R. O. Since he last wrote there is here certain hope of peace between the Emperor and the French King, but the conditions are diversely reported. Some say the duchy of Milan shall be given to the second son of France, with marriage of the Emperor's daughter, and the Emperor shall have 2,000,000 cr. Others say the duchy of Savoy shall remain to the French king, and Milan to the Emperor. The fame is constant of Barbarossa's departing from the Turk with 12 galleys; and that he is agreed with the Emperor, "and by advice from Rome should be in Sicily; which thing is of inestimable detriment to the Turks," for as a naval captain all men hold him equal to Andrea Doria. The Turk makes great preparations against next year both by land and sea. He has caused 150 galleys "to be new made." This state works continually in their arsenal, expecting to have ready about 200 galleys "great, bastard, and suttil." Ferdinand provides new strength through his whole state. The Emperor and Ferdinand have promised the Almains the Council in Almayn. Venice, 15 Dec. 1537.

P.S. Letters have come to the Signory from their *baylio* at Constantinople, who was put in prison, but, at the Turks' instance, has sent these letters, treating of reconciliation with this state. The Turk repents breaking with them; and they would be glad of peace, for the city decays for lack of doings.

* This paper is in the same form and nearly in the same words as the instructions to Sir Marmaduke Tunstall noticed in Part I., No. 881.

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The marquis of Guasto has licensed the Almains and Italians of his camp; and likewise the French king, who is gone, with the Dolphin, towards Narbonne, while the Emperor comes to Barcelona. It is said they will hold a parliament together, and that the French king's second son will go to live in Spain.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

16 Dec. **1218.** Thomas Earl of Rutland to Cromwell.

R. O. Leonard Skevington, in charge of the King's ordinance and soldiers at Nottingham has written to me to be a mean unto your lordship for three months' wages due to him and them, as appears by his book which his servant has brought up. As they be poor men and Christmas near at hand, I beg your remembrance of them. At my house of Enfelde, 16 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

16 Dec. **1219.** Sir Roger Touneshend to Cromwell.

R. O. According to Cromwell's letter to Sir Thos. Lestraunge, Mr. Hare and himself, has sequestered the goods of the priory of Westacre. Sir Thos. has delivered, or will deliver, an inventory, including ornaments of the church now missing. 16 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir John (*sic*) Townsend.

16 Dec. **1220.** Wm. Banyster, Mayor of Oxford, and Others to Cromwell.

R. O. On Saturday last, John Creke, late servant to one Markys, in the company of Wm. Barke, groom of the King's chamber, and Allen Preston of Oxford, goldsmith, said that the King was dead. He is now in prison. Oxford, 16 Dec. *Signed* (*all in one hand*): Willm. Banyster, Mayre, Will'm Flemyng, and John Pye, Aldermen.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed with the town seal. Endd.*

17 Dec. **1221.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Wrote by John Donnyngcort and Bornell, by whom he sent Lisle's money from Dover. This day Mr. John Graynfylde was in hand with him and offered 100*l.* for the possession of Kingston Lisle. Replied he was sure Lisle would not part with it for 160*l.*, and he said he would give no penny more. Thinks, however, he will be glad to do so. Lisle knows that Mr. Skryven would gladly deal with it if he might find Sir John Dudley reasonable. Thinks little short of 100*l.* might be made of the woods, &c. Has laden in a hoy of John Lawden's a chest with the spices my lady desired. Will write by Raynsford who goes in three days. London, 17 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

17 Dec. **1222.** Richard Grafton to Cromwell.

R. O. Richard Grafton of London, grocer, begs your Lordship's help, else he is in peril of utter undoing in the matter between him and Robt. Goudge, the younger. Had obtained Cromwell's letters to the lord Chancellor that it should be continued, but Goudge has found means to get a *procedendo*, upon which Grafton is attached and in prison. The debt is 72*l.* odd, and arose from his becoming security for a merchant in Flanders, Peter Douze, who absconded. Is a young man and, by setting forth of God's word, has made many enemies, who would be glad to help in his ruin. 17 Dec. 1537.

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1223. RICHARD GRAFTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. In spite of Cromwell's letter and my Lord's writ of *corpus cum causa*, his adversary has bribed the clerks of the house where Grafton is in prison and the writ is stayed. Begs to be allowed to come before Cromwell or my lord Chancellor, and will put in sureties better than 500*l.* If he tarry here this night he is undone.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Dec. **1224.** BAILIFFS AND ALDERMEN OF WORCESTER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thank him for his goodness, touching the misdemeanour of Nic. Cowley, yeoman of the King's guard, and, in reply to their letter, about Thomas Hill, town clerk. Since Cromwell's last letter Cowley has been in the Court or near London until Friday after the Conception of Our Lady, when he delivered us a *supplicavit* in the name of Laurence Russell, his servant, and Margery his (Cowley's) wife, against Edw. and Thos. Archebold, and required it to be served, which was done. Edw. Archebold is in prison, as no one will be surety for him, and Cowley would not accept his offer to abide by the award of any gentlemen of Worcester or of Sir Wm. Kingston, captain of the Guard, but threatened to make him low and leave him not worth a groat, unless he would fight him, in which case he would release him of the action. Required Cowley and his servant to put in sureties or go to ward, but he refused to obey, saying he was the King's servant, and that neither the mayor of London nor any other officers should meddle with him. Also he has given them more trouble by making assaults and frays than any one ever did before. Deny his report that they do not favour the King's servants, and ask Cromwell not to give credence to his slanders. Ask how they shall order Cowley. Worcester, 17 Dec.

The names of Roger Warde and John Wylliams, bailiffs, and Humfrey Burneford and Nic. More, aldermen, are appended, but all written by the same hand.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Dec. **1225.** HUGH PRIOR OF DURHAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter dated Stepney, 10 Nov., for the promotion of Sir Wm. Resseley to the vicarage of Billingham on the resignation of Sir Thos. Bentley.† Before receiving his letter had granted it to Dr. Hyndemer, chancellor to the bp. of Durham. Durham, 17 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Dec. **1226.** CHARLES DUKE OF SUFFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. In favour of the bearer, who has a suit to his Lordship. Tytnangre, Monday, 17 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed and endd.*

17 Dec. **1227.** CARD. POLE to ALBERTUS PIGHIUS.

Poli Epp. II. 112. Conversation about Frederic Skenchius with card. Simonetta, who said much about the ingratitude of the said Frederic. Will solicit his causes, together with card. St. Cross, as soon as he (Pole) is well, but he has been now four days confined to his chamber. Rome, 17 Dec. 1537.

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* They were bailiffs in 1537–8, according to Nash (Hist. of Worc.).

† He was vicar of Billingham in 1535, when the Valor was compiled. *See* Valor Eccl. V. 320.

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18 Dec. **1228.** BISHAM NEW FOUNDATION.

See GRANTS in DECEMBER, No. 22.

18 Dec. **1229.** JOHN THOMPSON, Master of the Maison Dieu, to CROMWELL.

R. O. When he was last with Cromwell his Lordship ordered him to set forward the works at Dover, and promised him a commission, by this time or before, giving him full powers in the ordering of labourers and making provisions. Begs he may have that commission, for the comptroller and others will not give credence to him; also to have choice of a clerk for his books and accounts. Begs credence for bearer, who will show what necessaries are required and bring Cromwell's answer. Dover, 18 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1230. JOHN THOMPSON, Master of the Masundue at Dover, to CROMWELL.

R. O. As surveyor and overseer of the King's works at Dover, he uses all diligence. However, if he had knowledge of the expenses, and the choice of labourers, it would be to the King's advantage. Begs such authority, or else would gladly be dismissed. Dovor.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Dec. **1231.** COUNCIL IN THE NORTH to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Of late a young fellow, Brian Boye, late servant to the prior of Neweburgh, as keeper of St. Saviour's chapel there (whereunto many pilgrims resort) being discharged of his office, told one Wm. Witham that the said prior last summer (my lord of Norfolk then, and long after, being here) spoke "unsitting" words, not only of my said lord but of your Highness, such "that it abhorred all our ears to hear them." Even in the Commotion no such abominable words were spoken. This Witham disclosed, remembering the oath lately given to him and all others to conceal nothing that touched the King. Boye had said one Mrs. Fulstrope was present when the words were spoken. Apprehended all the parties and enclose their examinations signed by themselves. After examining them apart, brought the accuser and defender together, telling Boye not to be afraid of the prior; whereupon he affirmed it to the prior's face, who denied it with many oaths and defiances. "After long suffering them the one to bait the other," could learn nothing more. The other persons said to have been present heard no such words. Brian himself says that the prior "fummelled it out" so to himself that he thinks none else heard it, and although Mrs. Fulstrop was there about Trinity Sunday last he concealed it from that day till lately, while my lord of Norfolk was here for almost five months after. Have commanded him home to his father's house till we send for him, and, although there is no other evidence against the prior, have thought it right to sequester him, till the King's pleasure be known, at St. Leonard's, York, a house of the same order, with our fellow Mr. Magnus. Have arranged with Magnus and Sir George Lawson, steward there, how the convent shall be ordered this Christmas in his absence.

Send up, as commanded, two Friars Observants who lately came out of Scotland.

Sir John Dobsone, vicar of Mustone, has been accused before us by three of his parishioners of declaring prophecies since your last pardon in summer; 1. that you should be driven from your realm and return and be content with the third part thereof, 2. touching the Eagle, *i.e.*, the Emperor, and 3. of the Dun Cow, *i.e.*, the Pope. The rest of the parish say he is an honest man and is accused of malice. The charge was not shown to my lord of Norfolk, though he was here long after. Witnesses cited by the

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accusers deny that the prophecies were declared in the church porch and in an alehouse. Have, however, committed him to gaol as his accusers are three in number. Wish instructions what shall be done to those who have concealed it so long.

Have ordered Carnaby to keep the tower of Heslyside, in Tynedale, late belonging to Edw. Charlton. The outlaws are quiet. Andrew Hall, one of the pledges of Reedsdale, is committed to ward until one of his surnames submit. Thank the King for the warrants for their diets brought by my lord of Llandaff. Have delivered them to Tristram Teshe, the King's receiver, and to Sir George Lawson. York, 18 Dec. *Signed by Durham, Llandaff, Magnus, Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun., Bowis, Babthorp, and Uvedale.*

Pp. 5. *Add. Endd.*

18 Dec. **1232.** TERENCE O'TOOLE.

R. O. St. P. II. 522. Articles of the treaty between the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland and Terence Othole, 18 Dec. 29 Henry VIII.

Peace to last till May 1540. Othole to have the lands his father, Arthur Othole, held 40 years ago, to assist the Deputy with two horsemen and 12 gallowglasses, and not to receive the King's rebels, notably Peter Fitzgerald. His brother Arthur Oge is bound with him, and Ossory and lord James Butler are his sureties.

Latin.

19 Dec. **1233.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I send by the bearer John Skarleyt, master of this hoy, of which John Lawden of London is owner, the proportion of spices which Bonde delivered me at my departure from Calais. They are packed in a sugar chest. I enclose particulars and prices. The weather has been very boisterous. I should like to hear that Donygcort and Bornell have arrived at Calais, by whom I sent your ladyship's money from Dover. Mr. John Graynefylde has offered 100*l.* for the possession of Kingston Lisle. He wishes an answer against New Year's tide. I think it should cost him half as much more. I believe Mr. Skryven would give as much for it as Hide will. I will send your sleeves by the first that goes. Your daughters shall have all they need. St. Katharine's, 19 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

R. O. 2. Bill referred to.

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Fine sugar, 6½*d.* a lb. Middle sugar, 5*d.* a lb. Cinnamon, 6*s.* 8*d.* a lb. Mace, large, 6*s.* 8*d.* a lb. Venice ginger, 3*s.* a lb. Pepper, 22*d.* a lb. Nutmegs, 4*s.* a lb. Liquorice, 4*d.* a lb. Aniseed, 4*d.* a lb. Sandyrs, 2*s.* 8*d.* a lb. Tornesoll, 1*s.* 4*d.* a lb. Isinglass, 2*s.* 6*d.* a lb. Raisins of Corense, 4*d.* a lb. Dates, 4*d.* a lb. Prunes, 12*s.* a cwt. Cloves, 6*s.* a lb. Great rice, 1*d.* a lb. Chest, and expenses of shipping into the Pool, 19*d.* Total, 12*l.* 12*s.*

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19 Dec. **1234.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I received this day, by Jas. Hownde, your ladyship's letters, and when the ship is discharged, which will be on Saturday at furthest, will see all things received and delivered accordingly. I think my lady Rutland and Tyldesley will be content to wait for their stuff. The 20*s.* you sent Mrs. Katherine will be right welcome to her to present her friends in that house with some remembrance, for which the angel I gave her and the

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1234. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.—*cont.*

half angel you sent will be little enough. I gave no money to Mrs. Anne but the half angel, for I considered she had 10*l.* for her year's wages. Your ladyship marvels that my lady of Sussex wanted a new gown of Lion tawney satin for Mrs. Anne. Her reason then was that it was uncertain how long the King would require them to wear black, and she ought to have two changes of silk beside her velvet gown. The travers must be sent over and then they have promised to do their best. Nothing need be given to him of the Tower or to Tyldysley except at your pleasure till the stuff be delivered. "Tyldysley's shall be delivered, but he of the Tower shall not now have the crome (crown), for it should be double charges." You will receive by the bearer, Mr. Raynsford, your velvet sleeves and 4 doz. gloves, which cost 9*s.*, —3*d.* a dozen more than last year. They are very scarce. I bought them at the Cowface in Chepe. Gives a list of other articles sent. Has received no money yet of James. Sends 3½ thousand pins. I will write more by James, who will be with you in the holidays. St. Katharine's, 19 Dec.
Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

19 Dec. R. O. **1235.** WM. MAUNSELL to CROMWELL.

Delivered Cromwell's letters, with the offices of the attainted lands, to the escheators of Hunts, Lincolnshire and Lincoln, and Notts. As they had not then their patents, appointed them to sit at Retford, Notts., on 17 Jan., at Lincoln on the 18th, and at Huntingdon the 21st. Touching Yorkshire the escheator by Master Bowes' advice, caused the offices to be found at York Castle on Tuesday last according to the paper draught. Touching the city of York, the mayor is sick and cannot sit by attorney. As to the commission for the inquiry of attainted goods seized by Sir Brian Hastings, the administrator of his goods has day till 14 Jan., as one of the escheators is with the lord Admiral. York, 19 Dec. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Dec. R. O. **1236.** SIR WM. PARRE to CROMWELL.

On Monday night last about 30 persons, 20 of whom were well horsed, came to Lord Mountjoy's park at Abthorpe, killed almost all the deer and took and bound one of Ric. Cecile's servants dwelling in Abthorpe. As Abthorpe is 24 miles from Parre's house, Sir Humfrey Stafford, who sent him word of it, caused his son to follow them. Such a thing was never done in these parts since he knew them. In his opinion it deserves great punishment. Asks whether he shall search in the adjoining shires for the procurers. Horton, 20 Dec. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

20 Dec. R. O. **1237.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

Beseeching your Lordship to accept my poor present of horses. All is in good order here, "saving now and then a little conveying amongst themselves for a fat sheep or a bullock, in Kery, Kedewen, Arustley, and Kevylyoke; which is impossible to be amended, for thieves I found them and thieves I shall leave them." Shrewsbury, 20 December. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Dec. R. O. **1238.** W. PAGET to WRIOTHESLEY.

Has just arrived at Titchfield all wet and weary. Defers writing particulars of his journey; but in few words, came hither from London by Portsmouth 4 score miles and moved Mr. Crayford to accomplish Wriothesley's pleasure for the two letters. He asked when I came from you. I said Tuesday. He said he had heard from you twice since then and that

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you had probably altered your mind as you had written nothing of it. I said nevertheless it should be well done. He replied the thing was past now. Not knowing the particulars that you would have comprised in your letters I cannot write myself. I believe they have done all things here very substantially. They have shown me no specialties nor yet the commissions. "If they do not, you know my dull and dastardly nature, I love not to *ingerere me* nor to be more busy than needs." Thinks his presence may be spared, especially as he ought to show himself at Court these holidays. Titchfield, 20 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Wriothesley, esquire.

20 Dec. **1239.** The Irish Parliament.

Titus B. ix. 90 b. B. M. Irish Statutes, Vol. i. p. 66.

Statutes of the Parliament held at Dublin on Monday, 1 May. 28 Hen. VIII., before Lord Leonard Gray, deputy; adjourned on Wednesday, 31 May, to Tuesday, 25 July, at Kilkenny; on Friday, 28 July, to Cashell; on Wednesday, 2 Aug., to Limerick, &c.; and finally terminated at Dublin, 20 Dec. [1537].

Cap. xiii. is "An Acte against marying or fostering with or to Irishemen," not in the Printed Statutes. The last is "The Acte for leazers of corne, cap. xxv." which is cap. xxiv. in the printed Statutes.

Later copy.

20 Dec. **1240.** The English at Antwerp.

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Ratification by Charles V. of the commercial agreement, dated 8 June, 1537, between the merchants of the English nation and the town of Antwerp. Brussels, 20 Dec. 1537.

Dutch, pp. 10. *Modern copy from the Archives of Antwerp.*

21 Dec. **1241.** Windsor Castle.

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Particulars of the account of Sir Ric. Weston, lieutenant of Windsor Castle, from Mich. 28 to Mich. 29 Hen. VIII., by his deputy John Wodward, executor of George Wodward, late clerk of the Castle.

Rents received in Castle Ward, Foly John, Old and New Wyndesor, Eton, Dachett, and Dyttoune, from the abbot of Abingdon and others (as appears in a book of Thos. Hobbe, dean of St. Stephen's, Westminster, master Roger Lupton, provost of Eton, and other commissioners), the abbot of Reading and others, John Norres, heir of Wm. Norres, and from copyholders, &c. not particularised.

Redditus resoluti:—To the vicar of Old Windsor for tithes of Wychemer manor within the Great Park, 20*s.*; to Salisbury cathedral for tithes of the Forest, 25*s.*; to Wm. lord Sandys lord of Clewer, 12*s.*; Reading abbey (for Lodcroft in the Little Park), 7*s.* 5*d.*; Alex. Newentone, 11*s.*, and Burnham abbey (for lands formerly of Oliver Burdux in Eton), 4*s.* 4*d.*

Fees:—To Henry marquis of Exeter, late constable of the Castle and keeper of the Forest, parks, &c. (nothing, for he was not constable nor exercised the office for that time); Sir Ric. Weston, lieutenant and keeper of Sonninghill park and Cramborne chace; lord Sands, keeper of Esthamsted park; Wm. Fitzwilliam earl of Southampton, keeper of the Great Park; —— (*blank*) Heneg, esquire for the Body, keeper of the park under the Castle, called Little Park; John Norrys, keeper of the Foly John park; Robt. Tyrwytt, keeper of Dytton park; Thos. Ward, keeper of the keys of the upper ward, porter of the outer gate, and controller of works; Robt. Lyttyll, keeper of the leads; Chr. Dyccouns, *magister sementarius*; John Wodward, executor of George Wodward, late clerk of the Castle and collector of rents in Old Windsor, Datchet, and Dyttone; and Wm. Chalfont, steward of Datchet. Also allowances for various repairs and work done and of rents of assise of lands in tenure of lord Sandys and Sir Walter Stoner.

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ii. The particulars paid of wages and emptions, &c. "in every place" from 4 Feb. 28 Hen. VIII. to 21 Dec. next following. The payments are for paling of parks and repair of buildings. Each page signed by Thomas Ward.

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21 Dec. **1242.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

R. O. No news. The inhabitants of Tyndale are in as good stay as they have been for many years at this time of the year, except for the banished outlaws. Has cast down the houses where the three principal killers of Roger Fenwick dwelt. Has eight of his servants remaining at Hesleyside, late the house of Edward Charlton, till he knows the King's pleasure. Has written to my lord President and the Council, at York, for further instructions about it. The keeping of his servants there is some cost to him, but he does not grudge it. Would have been glad to have waited on the King and Cromwell, but would like first to get some of these outlaws into his hands. The rebels have not raised any fire or bruit, but it is expected they will. Has made open proclamation that he will redress all complaints against Tyndale men or bring the offenders to law. Hexham, 21 Dec. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Dec. **1243.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. Will not fail to carry out the instructions in Cromwell's letter, dated
St. P. VIII. 8. Oatland, the 12th, the bearer of which was dilatory, as soon as he has an opportunity; for Friar Peto is at Barrowe and Hutton has matters to follow here which begin to frame better than they did. Since his letter of the 4th, wrote on the 9th about the duchess of Milan. The Lady Regent is convinced of Cromwell's favourable disposition towards the Emperor. The duke of Arschot left for Spain on the 17th with one of the Council named Louis Schore. The rebels of Gelderland keep their own against the duke. The Clevois have no more hope, thinking that if the King will not have the duchess of Milan the French king will, for his second son. Brussels, 21 Dec.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1244. Thomas Hennege to Cromwell.

Vesp. F. XIII. 161. B. M. Has received his letter this night at 9, and shown the King its tenor. He desires that you and Sir Francis Brian will come hither by 8 or 9 to-morrow morning. If Brian's servant be sick of the plague, Brian is still to come, but to keep aloof and not enter within the place till the King's pleasure be further known. Otelond,* about 10 of the clock.

Hol., p. 1. *Address partly cut off:* [To my lord Privy] Seal be [this delivered].

22 Dec. **1245.** John Crayford and Rouland Lathum to Wriothesley.

R. O. Have made careful inquiry of the state of the late monastery of Titchfield, and how many grants have been passed under the convent seal. The church is most naked and barren, being of such antiquity. Forty shillings would buy all except the vestment you gave and two old chalices. At Michaelmas last there were two team of oxen, and now not one ox, but a few young calves and lamb hoggs of small value, "certain brewing vessel," a

* The King was at Oatlands in December 1537, certainly on the 7th and on the 22nd; perhaps on other days also; but towards the end of the month he was at Greenwich.

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dozen rusty platters, dishes, and saucers, and 10 morkyns, otherwise called guyldings, for the plough. The hangings left are worth 20*s.* The lands are very ruinous. Pensions are granted to the old quondam and others to the sum of 50*l.* by confession of the abbot and convent; yet they did not confess all, for one Mr. Chandlour has since showed a grant of 4*l.* a year, and we fear many such have passed. The tenth to the King is 25*l.* odd. The debts amount to 200*l.* The abbot and convent expect to be assured of 135*l.* a year during their lives, the abbot having 100 mks., eight priests 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and three novices 5*l.* each. The house owes the King above 200 mks. for first fruits. The expense of alterations will be 300 mks. at least. Thus your first entry will be expensive. At the King's manor of Titchfield, 22 Dec. *Signed.*

Excuse their long silence, which was to enable the bearer, Mr. Pachet, to survey things and report to you on his return.

Pp. 2. *Add.*

22 Dec. **1246.** Dr. Tregonwell and Dr. London to Cromwell.

R. O. To-day, by the King's commission, assembled the prior and convent of Oseney in the chapter house, and they elected the abbot of Thame as their abbot, according to Cromwell's instructions. Oxenford, 22 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

22 Dec. **1247.** The Robbery of Parson Jackman.

R. O. The confession of Thomas Bright, taken at Owndell, Northt., 22 Dec., 29 Henry VIII., before Edward Mountagu, King's serjeant-at-law, and Thomas Brudenell, justices of the peace.

Showing that he was born at Myntey, Glouc., and two years ago was in the service of the abp. of York, afterwards in that of Mr. Edw. Poynings, in Kent, where he remained till Christmas last. Has since lived at Owndell by playing at dice, by which he got the 6*l.* 5*s.* 6½*d.* found in his purse. Cannot tell of whom he won it. Won at Rye 10*l.* at dice a quarter of a year ago. Has had 4 marks' land at Myntey, which he sold to one Marshall for 30*l.* Came out of London "on Monday was fortnight," 10 Dec., where he lodged at the sign of the George in Bradstreet and the George in Shoreditch. Never spoke with Philip Clarke, but "coursed" with one White, a yeoman of the Guard, a black colt, which the same White never saw, and also a bay gelding of his for a bay gelding of the same White, which bay gelding was taken at Fotheringhay on Thursday last and sent up to London, when Hedley, bailey of Fotheringhay, was sent for; but what day and year the same course was made, and who was by, he knows not. Rode from Owndell towards London on Tuesday, 18 Dec., and lay at a village near Huntingdon; thence to Envyld to bed, where he lay at one Sawyer's house on Wednesday night, and on Thursday morning to London to speak with Sir Henry Bright, priest, his brother, of whom he had a piece of black sarcenet found in his budget; but being told in Cheapside that his brother had left London, he went the same day to Potters Bar and thence to Baldock, where he lodged at the sign of the Taberd, and to Owndell again; all which journey he rode a white nag that he bought of Philip Clarke at Fotheringhay on the 14th Dec. Was not at the robbing of parson Jackeman, of Aston Clinton, Bucks, nor knows about it.

On a long roll of paper. Sealed. Add.: To my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. "A remembrance to the King's Grace's Council for the trial of Thos. Bryght, prisoner in Aylysbury gaol."

Mems. of the necessary commissions and precepts for sending Bright to be tried at Oxford castle, and for Mr. Leonard Rede to bring the four men who have deposed to his traitorous saying.

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1248. THOS. BRYGHT to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Begs his Lordship, for Christ's sake, to procure his pardon of the King, especially as it is the first time he ever desired it or ever induced any man to folly.

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23 Dec. **1249.** HENRY VIII. to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 37. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 464. Sir John Dudley, late ambassador to the Emperor, has reported the Emperor's kind entertainment of him. In return, Wyat is to deliver the letter of credence sent herewith, thank the Emperor for his friendly offers, and say that Henry is no less glad that "all occasions be taken away by the goodness of God" which did somewhat obscure their friendship, than the Emperor declared himself to be. Where he explained why he had been so dark at the first overture of peace, and promised that in any peace Henry should be a principal contrahent; this is the more pleasant as coming from the frank mind of him whom the King ever trusted, although sundry clouds did obfuske and darken their ancient amities for a time. Wyat may assure the Emperor that Henry will do nothing that shall not be quadrant with the Scripture and the observation of his treaties with the Emperor, although others for their own glory do travail to deface his proceedings.

In case they mean to have him as a third contrahent, or, if not, to decipher their intentions, sends a commission to conclude what is to be determined on the King's part at their said treaty. Sends the like to the ambassador in France, whom Wyat may consult. Wyat must first require the Emperor to declare by express article in this or any other treaties that nothing is to be prejudicial to the King; and the King must have six months, or at least four months, in which to decide whether he can enter into it or not, after knowing the specialities. If they press for aid against the Turk, he shall say that the King has heard from the Emperor's ambassadors resident here that the Emperor much desires to "propel and repress that common enemy the Turk," and requires the King's aid, and that if the Emperor's proceedings now are as friendly as his words to Wyat and Dudley imply, the King will contribute an aid which, considering the position and extent of his dominions, shall fully satisfy the Emperor.

It is reported (and the Emperor's words to Wyat and Dudley seem to confirm it) that it has been agreed between him, the bp. of Rome, and the Venetians that the conciliable or assembly heretofore indicted by the said bishop should be held at Vincence, 1 May next. Points out at great length how it would be to the dishonour of the Emperor, whose predecessors indicted the four greatest councils (named) that ever were, to suffer the bp. of Rome to indict this one in a place which is, like all those lately fixed by that bishop, either in his own dominions or so near that he may be both judge and party in it. Suggests that the Emperor should, with the consent of the princes, call a council at Cambray or some such place to which Henry and the other princes might resort without notable danger, and the Low Countries take great advantage thereby. It would seem unkind in the Emperor to esteem less the King, his ally, than one priest's pleasure, "that in his act doth him also injury." Wyat may say that Henry, to signify his mind in the matter of the Council, &c., will shortly send personages of honest gravity and judgment.

Finally, sends certain papers in French containing the translation of the latter part of these letters touching the Council, which are to be delivered to the Emperor, Grandvile, and others of the Emperor's council as Wyat shall think fit, so that they may be the better prepared against the coming of the personages aforementioned. If the Emperor marvel that he has not heard from Henry (as it is so long since the departure of Sir John Dudley), Wyat shall declare that Dudley was stayed at Lyons 12 days by card. Tournon,

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whereat the French king was displeased. Greenwich, 23 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII. *Signed at head.*
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Ib. 109. B. M. 2. Translation into French of the part of the preceding described in the third paragraph.
Fr., pp. 6. *Endd.:* "The King's Grace in January by Mr. Mason, with the commission, at Barsolona."

23 Dec. R. O. **1250.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.
Pondering the earnest and pithy words of your Lordship's late letters, and those of Sir Thomas Soulemont, sent me by your command, and also the King's displeasure at the false surmise of Cornelis Hayes against my clerks, I have determined to deliver to Cornelis 100*l.*, on condition that if my clerks prove, before your Lordship and such of the Council as you shall choose, Cornelis' surmise to be false, he shall return the 100*l.* within eight days. This order Cornelis agreed to yesterday.
Mr. Soulemont wrote me to make sure of the sincerity of my clerks. When you hear what orders I use, which never treasurers of the Chamber did, between my clerks and me, you shall find it is not very easy for them to deceive the King. Meanwhile I dare say I see no doubt but they shall prove Cornelis false. "Somewhat is like to be said before your Lordship in it otherwise than Cornelis has said." It is a hard precedent that a treasurer shall be driven to prove his payments by the acquittance of the party; acquittances have never been used till lately, and still many gentlemen of the Court refuse to subscribe acquittances, alleging the possession of the warrant to be sufficient discharge.
I may not yet wait upon your Lordship; if I take the air even at the opening of the pane of a window, I am hindered for a week after, so by counsel of my physicians I am keeping close. My poor caban in Lothebury, 23 December 1537.
Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[23 Dec.] R. O. **1251.** Sir Wm. Poulet to [Cromwell?].
My Lord, I have sent you a bill of the charges of the Queen's burial, and a debenture to Gostwyk for payment for the King's wines spent a° xxvij^mo. The 200*l.* lent is repaid. The 300*l.* prested against the Queen's coronation I pray may be allowed upon the "creditor of Household" spent this time at Hampton Court and Windsor, which will be as good as payment in effect. Wishes him a merry Christmas. Greenwich, Sunday.
Asks him to appoint Mr. Gostwyk to take the remainder of 400*l.* paid at Baynerd's Castell and discharge Poulet's bill.
Hol., p. 1. *Endd.*

23 Dec. R. O. **1252.** John Tregonwell to [Cromwell].
It is reported here that the King is dead, the occasion being a letter from one of the Court to the abbot of Reading, who sent it on to the abbot of Abingdon. Advises that the truth should be declared. Oxford, 23 Dec. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Endd.*

23 Dec. Kaulek, 6. **1253.** Francis I. to Castillon.
The bp. of Winchester, who has not been seen since he was at Briançon, where he came with my lord William before the passage of Francis

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1253. FRANCIS I. to CASTILLON—*cont.*

into Piedmont, complained last night that the card. of Tournon and the Chancellor† had stopped the Vice-Admiral of England on his way from Spain to the King his master. The Cardinal and the Chancellor have already written to Castillon that this was done under a general order that all couriers should pass by the King, or that he should be informed of their coming. The chief cause of this delay was therefore the sojourn of 12 or 15 days made by the Bp. and lord William at Grenoble, while the King was at Briançon, without giving notice of the going of the Vice-Admiral into Spain. As soon as he heard it Francis wrote to the Cardinal and Chancellor that English subjects were not comprised in the general order. The bp. of Winchester having inquired if on treating of peace with the Emperor Francis did not intend England to be one of the principal contrahents, he replied that at the beginning of the Bp.'s embassy it had been proposed that the two kings could not treat with the Emperor without being together principal contrahents. To this Francis agreed, with certain conditions of mutual aid. But the bp. of Tarbes, then ambassador in England, could get no answer to this and Francis made war without the aid of anyone. Francis added that in any case he would keep inviolably his treaties of alliance with England. Montpellier, 23 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript of this letter is in R. O.

23 Dec. **1254.** BOCHETEL to CASTILLON.

Kaulek, 7. The King answered Castillon's last letter from Saint Gilles in Provence. He has since come to Montpellier where the bp. of Winchester came to see him. He continues very well. The card. of Lorraine and the Grand Master are at Leucate, but no news has yet been heard of their negociation. There is no change at Court. The card. Le Veneur is very glad of what Castillon writes about the greyhound. C. knows that M. de Langey is left governor at Turin. Card. du Bellay is still in Picardy with Orleans. Montpellier, 23 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript of this letter is in R. O.

24 Dec. **1255.** EDWARD MOUNTAGU to CROMWELL.

R. O. On the night of the 17th inst. a number of persons assembled at lord Mountjoye's park of Apthorpe, Northt., brake down the pale, killed or drove away 36 deer, assaulted the manor place of the said Lord, shooting in arrows through the glass windows, and hurt one of my Lord's tenants with an arrow and bound two others. I perceive your Lordship is partly informed of this by Sir William Parre's letters. As this bearer, Mr. Hancoke, dwells in the said manor place and can inform your Lordship of the truth, I send him to you. Among the persons were many worshipful and gentlemen; I doubt not your wisdom shall discover the truth, and the King be no loser: there hath not been such a part played in these parts since my remembrance. On Friday last certain persons, by the King's command as they said, attached one Thomas Hedley, servant to Mr. Maners, the earl of Rutland's brother, for felonies, and left charge in the King's name for one Thomas Bright to be attached. So on Saturday last I caused Bright to be attached at Owndell, and one Phillip Clarke with him. Both are goodly men of personage, have nothing to live by and ride often to London and other parts. Bright had 6*l.* in his purse and Clarke had good store of money. I suppose they were at the robbing of parson Jackeman in Bucks. I have sent Bright to Northampton

† Antoine du Bourg, baron de Saillans, chancellor of France, 1535–38.

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Castle and Clarke to Peterborough gaol. It is said Bright had stolen a bay gelding of your Lordship's, which is sent up with Thomas Hedley. Please let me know the King's pleasure in the premises. Hemyngton, Christmas Even. *Signed.*

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24 Dec. **1256.** Sir Walter Stonore, Sir W. Essex, and Thomas Vachell to Cromwell.

R. O. According to the Kings's letter to them to enquire into the bruit of the King's death, in these parts, they have made examinations, and send depositions by the bearers. Have punished some as the King prescribed, as a warning to others. Three persons, whose names the bearers can show, they have committed to Reading gaol. Colley upon Chrystys even.

P.S.—Have learned that the matter may be better set forth by one Thomas Baron, as appears by the depositions of Thomas Hynde. Have sent to apprehend Baron. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Ld. Cromwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Examinations taken at Colleyn, 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. by Sir Walter Stoner, Sir William Essex, and Thomas Vachell, by the King's commission, touching a report bruited at Brodfyld on Saturday last (Our Lady Day, 8 Dec.) by Sir George Barton, parson of the same town, and others, that the King was dead, as also the marquis of Exeter.

Persons examined: George Barton aforesaid; William Cryppes, of Yattendon, weaver; Nycolas Wylkynson, servant to the abbot of Redyng; Hugh, abbot of Redyng, then lying at the house called "the Bear," for fear of infection. *Signed by the Abbot.*

ii. "Examynacions taken at the Bear the 19 day of the moneth afforre sayde by the commissioners affornamed," in relation to the same subject.

Persons examined: John Sowthen and Sir John Norres (*signed* Norreys).

Thomas Hynd, examined at Newbury, 21 Dec. (*signed*), Thomas Barne, John Myller of Dynnyngton, John Boxworth and Joan his wife (who is respited without punishment, being then great with child), Edward Whyte, John Vertue, John Grene, John Mylch of Spenamland, smith, and Thomas Brewar.

iii. The punishment of Edward Lyttelworke, fuller, for spreading the rumour and not producing his authority, *scilicet*, that he should be "set on the pillory there one ower in the myddest of the market day, his yaers fast nayled, and after to be cut of by the hard hed, and then he to be tyed to a cartys ayrse, and to be strypped naked to the wast of his body, and so to be whypped round aboute the towne; whyche was don on fryday in the myddest of the market then holden at Wallyngford afforeseyd; and from thens the same day the said Edward was delivered to the mayre and officers of Redyng, and ther on Saterday, being market day ther, he was sett on the pyllory by one ower space and then and there whypped round about the same towne, as he was at Wallyngford aforseyd; and at Redyng he remaynyth in gayle styll untyll the Kyng's pleasure be further therein declared."

iv. Deposition of William Edmunds, touching the same, in his own hand.

v. Re-examination of Thomas Hynd. *Signed.*

Countersigned: Water Stonore—W. Essex—Thomas Vachell.

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24 Dec. **1257.** Richard Phelypps to Rougedragon.*

R. O. A merchant of Poole, William Meserer, lying out of the town for the sickness, was robbed in his house at night by 8 or 10 thieves, whose nest is broken, and five of them in Dorchester gaol. Three of them are fled, whereof one George Hunt, sometime servant to Sir William Barkeley, and of late to Sir Edward Wylloby, is come to the Sanctuary at Westminster. Hunt had 48*l.* in angel nobles that the rest knew not of, and had for his share 53*s.* 4*d.*, four silver spoons, and certain linen cloth. Please make search in the Sanctuary that the money may be saved for Meserer.

Perchance he has changed his name, but by examining him where he has dwelt and where he was on Sunday fortnight, the night of the robbery, ye shall know him. In case the searcher of the Sanctuary will not hold with you, I pray you get my lord Privy Seal's commandment for the examination of the matter. I desire you to ascertain me by the bearer, who knows Hunt. Wymborne Minster, Christ's even, in the morning.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Mr. Rougedragon, herald at arms . . . . in the Sanctuary at Westminster. *Endd.:* Ric. Philipp to Ric. Rugdragon; *and also:* Robt. Leason, George Pace.

24 Dec. **1258.** Sir Clement West to [Cromwell].

Otho, C. ix. 128. B. M. [Rig]ht honorable and my special g[ood lord], both in my other [letters] enclosed, and in this [I have written] of the armada "as yt cam to . . . . . scantly red be cawze the passag was v . . . . . taryyd but hyr bot whych was schargyd . . . . . and yn hyr Sir Thomas Copulldyc, to whoy[m I have] delyveryd the seyd newys who ys name ys h . . . . . ." Thus by the two letters your Lordship shall see what has been done. The galleys of this place are here [ready] to return where any "asembly off armad shall [be against] the Infydells." I beg you do my duty to the King and to my lord's grace [of Norfolk?]. Ma[lta], 24 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Much mutilated.*

25 Dec. **1259.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 388. Apologises for his importunity. The enclosed letter shall speak for itself. When he moved the King in this cause he favourably heard him. Commits to Cromwell the Coventre matter, Master Acton's and Master Nevell's matters.

Dr. Barns has preached at Hartlebury, and, at Latimer's request, at Worcester and Effsam (Evesham). "Surely he is alone in handling of a piece of Scripture, and in setting forth of Christ he hath no fellow." Wishes the King might hear him. He can tell Cromwell about two monks' preaching lately in Evesham. Though exempt from Latimer they are not from Cromwell. I pray God amend them, or else I fear they be exempt from the flock of Christ. "Very true monks, that is to say, *pseudoprophetæ*, and false Christian men, perverters of Scripture, sly, wily, disobedientiaries to all good orders, ever starting up, as they dare, to do hurt." This Christmas Day.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Dec. **1260.** The Irish Commissioners to James FitzJohn of Desmond.

R. O. St. P. ii. 537. Marvel that, after all his letters and his submission made at Dungarvan by Mr. Wm. Walshe and his secretary, he does not fulfil his promises. Upon his letter, dated Lorgar, 8 Nov., stating that he had

* Fulk ap Howell.

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performed all his promises, they wrote to the King, who takes his submission in good part, and requires proofs of the bastardy and traitorous words of James Fitz Morryce, and to know how the 300 men Fitz John wrote of are to be used. Urge him to answer these at once. His pardon is sent to Mr. Wyse, of Waterford, and will be delivered when FitzJohn's son is delivered. Desire answer by bearer, as they return shortly to England. He wrote that while with them at Clomel, Donough Obryne made a prey upon certain of his tenants. Have written to Donough and enclose his answer. 25 Dec.

Copy, pp. 2.

25 Dec. **1261.** GODEFROY DE MORTAINGE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. The bearer desires to enter the service of some lord in England as falconer. I beg you will get him letters of recommendation. My father, who commends himself to you, has asked me to write. My body, harness and horse shall be always at your service. Gravelines Castle, Christmas night, 1537.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

25 Dec. **1262.** N. DU VALIN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Reminds him of the promise of redress he gave in October three years ago, for depredations suffered from English pirates. Was sorry he could not wait upon him nearly three years ago when he sent a dozen batons from Brazil bearing the arms of the king of England. Begs him to consider the detention of one of his vessels at Winchelsea in August last by one named Rhodes, captain of the ship *John Thailleur*, as Cromwell has been informed by Mons. de Chastillon (Castillon). And 16 or 20 Spanish ships have taken another vessel of his within the Camber. Begs redress, and Nicolas Duval,† comptroller of Dieppe, will pray God on his behalf. Dieppe, Christmas day, 1537.

French, p. 1. *Add.:* Secretary and Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Valyn.

25 Dec. **1263.** FRANCIS I. to HENRY VIII.

Kaulek, 8. Is sending the card. of Lorraine and the Grand Master to Narbonne to treat of a peace with the Emperor. Nothing shall be done to the disadvantage of England. Is ready to renew old alliances with Henry "envers tous et contre tous, sans aulcun y réserver comme auparavant.

Fr. The original headed: "Brevet baillé par Monseigneur au Roy d'Angleterre le xxv^e^ Décembre 1537."

*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

26 Dec. **1264.** CROMWELL to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 223. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 332. By bearer you shall receive the King's letters with a commission to treat with those princes for his Grace's part. Use all dexterity, for the King was never more willing to forget the past and make a perfect reconciliation and do all things to the Emperor's honour and commodity. If the Emperor will esteem his grace as he pretends, especially in following his Grace's advice in the matter of the Council, all will proceed to God's glory and the quiet of Christendom. London, 26 Dec. *Signed.*

Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* My lord Privy Seal in January, by Mr. Mason, at Barsolona.

† So here, though the signature seems to be "Du Valin."

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26 Dec. **1265.** WRIOTHESLEY to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Harl. MS. 282 f. 285. B. M. Writes (although he is very busy at this feast and has nothing to write) because he was so chidden in Wyat's last letters for not writing. Is the same as Wyat left him. London, 26 Dec.

Nott's Wyatt, 423. *Hol., p.* 1. *Add.:* ambassador with the Emperor. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1266.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 389. The bearer, an honest poor gentleman, has travelled much in Wales and its borders, the diocese of Llandaff and elsewhere, and wishes to disclose to Cromwell what he thinks needs reformation. He is Latimer's servant, though much away on his own business. Postridie Natalis Christi, Hartl.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1267.** THE ABBOT OF BYSSHAM* to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have received your letters requesting the offices of surveyor and receiver of the lands of the King's new monastery of Byssham for Mr. Stydolf. One of my neighbours, Mr. Sandes, had the office by lease before I came, and still occupies it, and there are other neighbouring gentlemen whom I should offend if I did not let them have such offices. Mr. Stydolf has of me, by the common seal of the late abbey of Chertsey, 40*s.* a year, and I give him 20*s.* besides of my own free will. Byssham, 26 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1268.** JAMES FOX to CROMWELL.

R. O. On receipt of your letters of 4 Dec., with the form of 11 offices (inquisitions), I made a precept to Mr. Sheriff of Yorkshire, returnable 18 Dec. at York Castle. The sheriff appeared and returned a panel as well of men of worship as gentlemen, who found the offices good. Has engrossed them in due form, all but the office of Kirkstead, which is incomplete, as the day of the abbot's treason is not mentioned. Sends them by bearer. Sowrby, 26 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1269.** WILLIAM SAUNDERS to CROMWELL.

R. O. One James Macok of Bukby, in these parts of Northamptonshire, worth in goods 50*l.*, has said "That abbeys be now made granges, which he said was long of men of law, and if the Northern men had come they would have been first had by the head; and further said that the King's Grace had the foul gout or the wild gout, and he may reign a year or two, but cannot reign long." I called two witnesses who deposed this, and I sent the said James to the gaol at Northampton. I write to know your pleasure, which my nephew Edward Saunders, your servant, now in the Temple, will, if you command him, send me. Welford, St. Stephen's day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1270.** JOHN WHITE to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. We your servants and a great multitude of loving hearts were merry on St. Stephen's day, thanks first to my lord and secondly to you, whom I trust he has chosen to rule in this my native country, which in these parts has been barren of good rulers, and the rulers barren of loving hearts among

* John Cowdrey, who surrendered the abbey of Chertsey, 6 July 1537.

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the people. God alone could have devised for you so happy a season with such a commodious resting place. I thank you for having me in remembrance The hearing of your prosperous proceedings is more to my comfort than I can express; also that you write your patent is in areadiness. Because you work with so great deliberation I trust there shall be no doubt hereafter. The coming of my lord of Thetford did marvellously rejoice my heart, knowing he would put an end to all doubts. And where you write that you will see your house of Tychefeld within 10 days, that is one of the things in which we most rejoice, as Mr. Doctor has declared in his letters. Will follow his instructions about leases now expired, but suggests that a certain farm near Wriothesley's house should be given to one of his servants, Mr. Rych, who lacks a house. He who has reversion of it is Bull, servant to Dr. Peers, provost of St. Elizabeth. St. Stephen's day at night.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

27 Dec. **1271.** La Rochepot to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter of the 18th demanding the return of the Flemings kept prisoners by my men, and promising that my ships at Calais will be likewise delivered. When I wrote that I would return the Flemings I was not aware that they were lawful prize; for I find by the terms of the treaty that the truce is only available for fishermen, and not for merchants, and I regret having allowed the ship and merchandise to go when they were taken. The release of the said ship and merchandise ought to be enough for them. I do not intend to deliver the Flemings without a ransom of 130 cr. to my men who took them. As to my men at Calais, it would not be reasonable to deliver them to the Flemings who wish to have them in exchange for their comrades, as the cases are different. The Flemings were taken at sea in open war, and my men in Calais harbour, which is neutral. Compiegne, 27 Dec. 1537. *Signed.*
Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

27 Dec. **1272.** Card. Pole to Card. of Liege.

Poli Epp. II. 101. Upon the subject of the reformation of his clergy. Rome, 27 Dec. 1537.
Latin.

28 Dec. **1273.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I hope you have long since received the spices, with my letter and proportion which I sent by John Lawiden's ship; also my letters by Mr. Raynsford. All things are received and delivered which you sent by this bearer, both my lady of Sussex's stuff and others. My lady of Rutland cares not how soon she has her gear. I have bought for Tyldelsley three ells of Holland, which cost 7*s.*, and I send again the cambric and the crown which he of the Tower should have. I send it again by James, because he would expect money when the stuff came, although he had this crown now. The party that was displeased, who came over with Sir John Dudley, has showed me all the matter. He is very precise in his cause. I beg you to send my lady of Rutland's stuff as soon as you can. The old travers must be sent, and then "he" has promised to do his best. James has been very diligent. The crown of the sun sent to Philip is not delivered because another must be partaker with him. This by Mrs. Staynings' advice. My lord has written me of the receipt of only 142*l.* 4*s.*, and I am charged further with 4*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* of Sir John Dawnce, and 6*l.* 19*s.* 9½*d.* of Mr. Rolles, who has promised me payment of 20*l.* for the King's New Year gifts. Mentions other receipts including a half year's rent of Fristoke. Will send particulars of what he has caused to be made for Mrs. Anne and Mrs. Katharine. Mrs. Anne's gown

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1273. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

shall be made against Twelfth Day. Mrs. Katharine has all her gear except her camlet gown, which shall be sent against New Year's Day. "And where your ladyship caused my lord to write me for my charges, I wrote your ladyship only thereof because you should know that I allowed myself none of my lord's money." My lord has written to me to ride into Hampshire to see the view of the stuff at Soberton, and make away the lease to Mr. Bonham if he be reasonable. I intend to go five or six days after Twelfth Day, and I will show Bell part of my mind. If he will abide by his words he may repent it. I beg you to send me the inventory of what you have received from Soberton since your coming to Calais. I will get the kersey dyed scarlet. I send the King's New Year's gift to my lord. Mr. Ric. Cromwell has spoken to me on behalf of John Gough, who is to ride into the country with Mrs. Cromwell his wife. St. Katharine's, 28 Dec.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

28 Dec. **1274.** TITCHFIELD ABBEY.

Close Roll, p. 1, no. 14. Surrender (by John, perpetual commendatory of the abbey, and the convent) of the monastery with all its possessions in Hants, Berks, and elsewhere in England and Wales, and the marches thereof. 28 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged, same day, before John Crayford, clk., and Roland Lathom, the King's commissioners.

Ib., p. 2, no. 63. 2. The same (dated here 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.), with an acknowledgment, dated 20 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., taken in the chapter house by Crayford and Lathom, by virtue of a commission dated 19 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII.

1275. TITCHFIELD.

R. O. Monastery of Tychefeld, Hants:—John Salysbury, suffragan bishop of Thetford, and the convent of Tychefelde, are bound by three obligations, dated 30 Nov. 28 Hen. VIII., to pay at the Annunciation 1538, 45*l.*, and Michaelmas 1538, 45*l.*, and the Annunciation 1539, 44*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Thos. Wriothesley is bound by two obligations, dated 20 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII., for 7*l.* 12½*d.* at Pentecost next and All Saints then following. Also by two obligations, dated 23 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., for 17*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* at All Saints next and Pentecost 1539.

In Wriothesley's hand: Item, Euarley (?). At Lady Day and Mich. for two years, 50*l.* each.

P. 1. *Endd.:* Sir Roger Lassels.

28 Dec. **1276.** EDWARD MOUNTAGU to CROMWELL.

R. O. Hedley, bailey of Fodryngey, on Christmas Day last, showed me it was your pleasure he should bring Thomas Bright to your lordship with speed. I had, before his coming, sent Bright to Northampton Gaol, and one Philip Clarke, taken with him, to Peterborough Gaol, as I have already advertised your lordship. Hedley brought no token nor letters for my discharge or the gaoler's. Sir William Parre is sheriff of Northamptonshire, and I hear he has Bright in keeping in his own house. Please direct your letters to him for the said Bright; and methinks it were convenient to have Clarke up also. Hemyngton, 28 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. wrongly:* My lord Mountagu.

28 Dec. **1277.** NICOLAS [SHAXTON], BISHOP OF SALISBURY, to CROMWELL.

R.O. Has sent the King 20*l.* for his New Year's gift, as he has done in other years. Has been counselled by certain of his friends to give a

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better gift, which he would do if he were out of debt, though bp. Audelay, having the same benefit from Henry VII. that Shaxton has of the King, gave never more when he was in most prosperity. This shall be no precedent when he is out of debt, but now he cannot do as he would, either to the King or Cromwell. All the money that was received at the audit soon after Hallowmas was paid to Gostwik for parcel of his debt that he owed for the King's tenth, and he still owes 348*l.* Was constrained to borrow 40*l.* to buy his servants liveries against Christmas. If Cromwell would speak to Gostwik to let him have respite till next audit, would make all even with the King. Told Cromwell once that he could live according to his receipts, but he has accommodated himself to other men's affections, and so overshot the mark.

Writes all this that Cromwell may be a mean that his small gift may be the more acceptably taken, if perchance any other person would work to the contrary, and that he may in some other way declare his grateful mind to the King and Cromwell. If Doctor Fynche die, would give the King the nomination of the prebend of Chermester and Bere, with 120*l.*, the best in his church, and Cromwell shall have the disposition of the archdeaconry of Wiltshire, with 100 mks. a year. Rammesbury, 28 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Dec. **1278.** Lord Edmund Howard, Henry Palmere, and Thomas Fouler to Cromwell.

R. O. Desire Cromwell's mediation with the King. Would not have failed to put Adrian Doogan in possession, in accordance with the King's letter of which they enclose a copy†, but for their oaths to be indifferent between the King and parties. Think the King would not have written as he did if he had heard the case of Thos. Prestwiche, *alias* Sandwiche, as well as that of Adrian Doogan. If, on fully considering the matter, he insists upon it, will put Adrian in possession. Calais, 28 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

1279. Adrian Dogan.

R. O. Petition of Adrian Doggan, of Calais, to the lord Privy Seal, complaining that the lord Howard will not obey the King's letters which were directed to him, to Mr. Vice-Treasurer's deputy, and to Mr. Vice-Bailiff of Guisnes in Doggan's behalf.

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28 Dec. **1280.** Thomas Skreven, Mayor of Calais, to Cromwell.

R. O. I and my brethren the aldermen lately sent you two pieces of Orleans wine by one of our said brethren, Geoff. Loveday, desiring your favour in such our suits as he should declare to you.

Where your lordship lately wrote to me concerning Agarde, your servant; I have finished his suit and his attorney has possession. Please be good lord to the widow of my cousin Whalley. Calais, 28 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Dec. **1281.** Ireland.

R. O. Fiat for a Crown lease to A. B., de C. in co. Dublin, of a castle called D. in "co. Midd." (*i.e.* Meath) for 21 years. 28 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.

Latin, p. 1.

*** A modern copy is in Harl. MS. 4763, f. 485, B.M.

† *See* No. 1206.

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29 Dec. **1282.** Sir William Shelley, and Others, to Cromwell.

R. O. On Thursday, St. John's day, at night, we assembled at Lewes, on the King's command. Friday we spent in examination of persons accused, and finally of one Peter at Rith, of Horsham, "that told to one Matthew the matter, and that he should report that he brought a letter from London from my lord Stafford to the lady Stafford his wife." He admits he told the said Matthew and Stephen Chatfield the King was dead, but denies the letter, saying he was not in London these two years. He had the tidings of the King's death of Joan, wife of Ric. Betchet of Horsham, whom we have not yet examined. One Richard Pylstye has confessed he heard of the King's death a fortnight after All Hallow tide. We have ordered that such as be accused shall be examined by the next justices of peace in the rape wherein they dwell. "The words touching the marriage" were told to one Batnor of Lewes, by the wife of Thomas Awdely, victualler there; she says she heard them of Edward Brown, who denies it. Witnesses not yet all examined.

Nic. Jenyns, accused before your Lordship by the commissary for the naming of Mrs. Norys, says he heard it of Wm. Samford of Chichester, not yet examined. The friars have their punishment this Saturday at Lewes, and take it very penitently. Saturday, St. Thomas day, at Lewes.

Signed: Wyllyam Shelley—John Gage—Ryc. Sherley—Jo. Sakevile—Ryc. Bellyngham—Rycharde Sakevyle—Thomas Darell—John Parker—Willyam Wybarne.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Dec. **1283.** [Margaret Queen of Scotland] to Henry VIII.

R. O. The King her son is sending his secretary, Sir Thomas Erskin, of
St. P. v. 127. Brechin, and the abbot of Kinloss, to inform Henry about his marriage, &c. Begs they may be well received. They made good report of their honourable treatment at their last passing through England. Striveling Castle, 29 Dec. *Signed* (*signature much mutilated*).

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

30 Dec. **1284.** Cromwell.

See Grants in December, No. 39.

30 Dec. **1285.** Castillon to Francis I.

Kaulek, 9. Wrote on the 10th of the King's displeasure at the peace negociations between Francis and the Emperor, and the alarm occasioned by them. Within these few days the Emperor has "practised" the King more than ever, and, among other things, as the King himself has informed me, has assured him that, whatever meetings take place between your deputies and his, he will conclude nothing without informing him; which has so delighted both him and his Council that they have quite recovered their spirits, and are in no fear now of being altogether abandoned, as for some time they expected to be,—during which time, as it seemed to me, I was not looked upon with the same favour as usual. Thereupon came the letters written by Francis at Lourmarin, the 11th inst., which Castillon received on the 24th, directing him to entertain the king of England, "qui est assez estrange quand il veult et où certes je ne trouve pas tous les arrests que je voudrois bien." Thinks that when Henry knew the peace was brewing he would have been glad to contribute some good sum either to Francis or to the Emperor to prevent it, but he would not do so now, seeing he is sought after; and as the Emperor has taken the first step (*gaigné le devant*), which shows that he has no great desire to treat with Francis, and that already this King was more

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inclined to his side than to that of France, "jusques à dépescher un gentilhomme vers l'Empereur," Castillon has thought it best, following the intention of Francis as far as possible, seeing that there is no longer any question of a marriage, as his last letters show, to apply what he could of Francis' letter to this advertisement of the Emperor. In fine, has informed Henry that he had been instructed to tell him that, although Francis was sending the card. of Lorraine and the Grand Master to Narbonne to learn what the Emperor's deputies would say, with a view to peace, of which Francis had always been studious, he did not mean to suffer anything to be negociated to Henry's disadvantage, but was determined to remain his perpetual ally, and if necessary to renew the treaties against all as formerly. This would assure him that, even if Francis were in hope of peace with the Emperor and knew nothing of the Emperor's secret intrigues with England, he had no intention of showing himself less friendly to Henry. He waited four days before answering Castillon, and it was not without long consultation that he did so. A number of pretty stories had been impressed on him, [as] that the King of Scots was going to make war upon him, and it was only for that that he was "entertained;" which impressions Castillon partly removed, and he made answer that he acknowledged the good-will of Francis, especially at this time, that he was as much determined as ever to renew the ancient amity, and that if Castillon had had special powers and instructions he would have negociated with him at once. He says he has written to the bp. of Winchester to declare his mind to Francis. You will greatly please him by intimating that you will conclude nothing of the Council without letting him know, for he has repeated this to me twice.

For the rest, he is so amorous of Madame de Longueville that he cannot refrain from coming back upon it. I assured him that the marriage between the king of Scots and her had been already sworn before my first letters; but that no lady in France would be denied him. He replied that he could not believe, even though her father M. de Guise had sworn and promised with M. d'Albrot (the abbot of Arbroath), that Madame de Longueville had consented to it; for when I said to him, "Would you marry another man's wife?" he said he knew well that she had not spoken, and asked me to write to you, if matters were not so far advanced that they could not be broken off, to deliver her to him, and he would do twice as much for you as the king of Scots would. I think it would be well to assure him, and to convince Winchester, that the marriage was determined and sworn to before you had my first letters. I asked who caused him to be more inclined to her than to others, and he said Wallop was so loud in her praises that nothing could exceed them. Moreover, he said that he was big in person and had need of a big wife, that your daughter was too young for him, and as to Madame de Vendosme, he would not take the king of Scots' leavings. Could not keep him off the subject.

Wrote that Henry was despatching Briant to Francis. He was detained by illness at Canterbury, and another gentleman of the Chamber, Meotis, was sent in his place, who has now returned, not having gone beyond Paris. Not an abbey remains "sur pied," and Henry thinks himself the lieutenant of God in his kingdom. [London], 30 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

30 Dec. **1286.** Castillon to the Grand Master.

Kaulek, 11. By the copy he sends of his letter to Francis, the Grand Master will see the pains the Emperor takes to draw Henry over to himself. Was afraid the King would have contributed something to the Emperor underhand; but when he found he was sought for by the Emperor himself, and

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that Francis would remain his good friend and ally, he was easily dissuaded. Thinks he loves gold and silver better than the alliance of any prince. He is making a store of it, and there are neither chalices, shrines, nor relics that do not pay smartly for it.

If Francis is determined to renew the alliance between them, would like full instructions about the aid to be given for mutual offence and defence. Speaks of his great expenses. [London], 30 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

30 Dec. **1287.** CHARLES BULKELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Edward Fynche, doctor of physic, one of the residencers of Salisbury Cathedral,† to whom you have been good lord, is sick and not like to escape. He has the prebend of Charmyster and Beere, in the gift of the bp. of Salisbury, worth 120*l.* a year and more; he has also the parsonage of Roosse in the bp. of Harford's gift, worth 42*l.* a year. He is, I know, in your debt, and how it will be paid I cannot say, but I shall be glad to help any of your Lordship's friends to his promotions. Sarum, 30 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Dec. **1288.** BRABAZON to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. II. 524. On the arrival of the Commissioners here, accompanied them on their survey in Kilkenny, Waterford, &c. The traitor Bryan O'Connor made petition to them at Kilkenny and yet, soon after, marched to Ofayley, where his brother Kaer had rule under the Deputy, killed part of Kaer's men and expelled him. The Deputy then marched against him but had to return, as the waters and ways were impassable, leaving one of the retinue to keep Brackland Castle. The Commissioners and the writer, hearing of this, hastened to the Deputy and a hosting was appointed.

The Deputy then, with the lord Chancellor, barons of Delven and Slane, mayor of Drogheda and one of the bailiffs of Dublin, proceeded through Magoghegan's country to Ofayley and camped at Brackland Castle; but the traitor fled to Odyn's country. The Deputy pursued to Castellanbryck, eight miles from Brackland, where Richard Butler joined him. Part of the army went into Odyn's country, where they were surprised and about 11 men killed. Then the traitor sent word to the Deputy that he would abide the order of him and the Council and come to Dublin. The Deputy then rode to Dublin leaving the writer to conduct the ordnance. He had before written to the King and Cromwell of the matter. Knows not who were O'Connor's confederates. The best knowledge is in the enclosed letter sent to Brabason from Galway. A safe conduct to Dublin was sent to the traitor, who has now made an agreement with his brother Kaer and both remain in Ofayley.

Did not write till he knew the end of this. Hears their letters are so variable that he is "in doubt to write particularly" by himself. Commends the Commissioners, who are now in hand with the writer's account and will finish everything by Candlemas. Soldiers cannot live on their pay, victuals are so dear here. Artillery, especially bows, are wanted.

Cromwell wrote in Brabazon's favour for the farms of Duleke and Colpe pertaining to the late monastery of Lantonie in England. Some persons here obtained letters patent for the best of them and would not have taken the parcells in Westmeath and the borders. The grant is therefore repealed and Brabazon will take the whole. Sends a note of Acts passed in the

† Besides holding a prebend, as here stated, he was archdeacon of Wilts, and died before the 15th Jan. 1538, when John Pollard succeeded him in the archdeaconry.

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present Parliament. Showed the Commissioners an Act that knights and burgesses should be inhabitants of the places whereof they are elected; and they thereupon thought it necessary to dissolve Parliament, as they will declare at their return home, and see remedy provided. James of Desmond does nothing: many think he will do well, but the writer thinks the contrary. Young Garret lies about Crome and Adare and the Deputy makes every effort to attain him. Dublin, 30 Dec.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

St. P. II. 526. II. Acts passed at the first session 1 May 28 Henry VIII.

Succession (Anne Boleyn). Supremacy. First fruits. Attainder of certain rebels. Absentees. Repeal of Poynings' Act for this Parliament. Subsidy. Slandering the King or Queen. Against appeals to Rome. Repealing an Act of legitimation at the petition of the earl of Ossory.*

Session 15 Sept.:—Lordship of Lexlip.* Suppression of St. Wolston's Priory.* Delahide's lands of Moyclare. Lands in Athirde during nonage of Barnewell's heir of Dronmagh.* Irishmen to have no tributes. Stolen goods.

The last session 13 Oct. a° 29:—Succession* (Jane Seymour). First Fruits of Abbeys. Proctors. Pardons by the Commissioners.* Tithes of Dueleke.* Alliances with Irishmen.* Against bp. of Rome. Liberty of Wexford county.* Twentieth of the Spiritualty. Irish habit and tongue. Suppression of certain abbeys. Restraint of wool. Proof of testaments. Faculties. The intent of the repeal of Poynings' Act. Liberties of Wexford town.* Leases by the Commissioners. Penal statutes. Pardons granted at this time.* Weirs in cos. Kilkenny and Waterford.* Weirs upon the Boyn.* Parsonage of Dungarvan. Ordinances by the Commissioners.* Leazers of corn in harvest.

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R. O. 2. Act for the first fruits of abbeys, priories, and colleges in Ireland [28 Henry VIII. cap. 26].

Faded draft, with corrections by Wriothesley. Large paper, pp. 7.

R. O. 3. Bill for an Act of Parliament to be passed in Ireland "for the release of such as have obtained pretended licences and dispensations from the see of Rome."

Large paper, pp. 6. *Sheets marked A, B, C, D, E, and F. Sheet E bound up out of place.*

30 Dec. **1289.** J. DE MORBECQUE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. I send you the head of a fine wild boar (*beste noire*) which I killed yesterday in the chase. I have been some time with my master De Beures in Zealand; otherwise I would have served you better. Tournehen, 30 Dec.

I beg you to get me two English mastiffs (*allans*) and a bulldog (*doghe*). *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

30 Dec. **1290.** FRANCIS I. to CASTILLON.

Kaulek, 8. Has received his letter of the 10th. The king of England has made no reply to the overtures of Francis for an offensive and defensive alliance, by which neither prince should treat with the Emperor without the other's consent. He cannot, therefore, complain except that Francis never

* Not printed in the Statute Book.

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1290. FRANCIS I. to CASTILLON—*cont.*

remonstrated when he sought to treat with the Emperor. But Francis cannot remain continually at war with the Emperor, while Henry's friendship for both princes turns exclusively to the profit of the latter. Castillon must make this clearly understood. Nevertheless, whatever treaty he makes, Francis will not fail to preserve the amity between him and Henry. Francis told the bp. of Winchester, who came to him this afternoon, that the deputies of the Emperor insisted chiefly on the celebration of the Council. This is the only point on which Francis would wish to sound the king of England, and he keeps back and dissembles this condition as much as possible, in order to know Henry's intention. Castillon is to get at this secretly, and send it with all possible diligence. If peace is to be made Francis cannot refuse the Council, but, as he told the bp. of Winchester, knowing the intention of Henry, he will endeavour to defer or limit the Council in such wise that nothing shall be done in it to his prejudice,—provided always that if on this account no peace be concluded Henry shall aid Francis against the Emperor. If Henry be pleased to take in marriage Mdlle. de Vendome, or make a new alliance offensive and defensive, Francis will enter into it readily and the peace negotiations will be no obstacle. Castillon shall assure Henry that the Emperor alone desired this negotiation, and would not allow the king of England or any other to be called to counsel, as Francis would have been glad to do. Montpellier, 30 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

30 Dec. **1291.** BOCHETEL to CASTILLON.

Kaulek, 9. Castillon will intimate to the king of England, wisely and skilfully, what Francis writes in cipher, and send an answer as soon as possible. Francis was very sorry for the stoppage of the couriers, desiring that Englishmen should be treated as his own subjects, and would to God they were as friendly and sincere on that side as here. M. le Veneur expects his greyhound. Bochetel will inform his wife about the plate Castillon proposes to give her. Has sent on his letter to the Grand-Master with the copy of that to the King. Montpellier, 30 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

31 Dec. **1292.** CASTILLON to FRANCIS I.

Kaulek, 12. Francis will understand by his letter of yesterday Henry's sentiments about Madame de Longueville. The lord Privy Seal has this morning sent him a secretary of the King to inform him that, in his desire to promote his master's interests, he despatched a sure agent into France, who learned that, although M. de Guise promised and swore to the marriage of Madame de Longueville, she never consented. She is ready to obey Francis in everything, but she never specially promised to marry the king of Scotland, and Francis might grant her to Henry. If this be impossible, the reasons should be specified in detail, that Henry may not think he was refused only to gratify the king of Scotland. Castillon replied that he was astonished the lord Privy Seal should think an act of marriage could be concluded without procuration of the parties. If Madame de Longueville had given a procuration to her father, perhaps those of whom such close inquiry was made were not called as witnesses. As to making excuses for the sake of the good will which the king of England bears to France, it seems to me, said Castillon, that this tail does not belong to this calf, the alliance between the two Kings being

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for the advantage of the one quite as much as of the other. He promised, however, to write about it to his master.

Francis can understand "en quel état se trouve le roi d'Angleterre." In fact Mr. Meotis, who was supposed to be returned from the French court, has gone secretly to Madame de Longueville, and made such a report to his master that he has still more set fire to the tow, "je dirois voluntiers, vostre honneur sauve, au cul," as you may perceive; even so far that if you put him off a little you will get from him now what you could not by any other means hereafter, whatever good thing might be proposed. It is easy to see that he is well caught, and I think this matter deserves good consideration. If you do not conclude with the Emperor, 500,000 cr., loan or gift, "pendent à ses couilles." Wishes to know the King's pleasure and will help to play the farce to the best of his power. [London], 31 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

31 Dec. **1293.** CASTILLON to the GRAND MASTER.

Kaulek, 13. The Grand Master will see by the copy of his letter to the King a pretty comedy which might be played here if it be thought good. If not, it would be advisable to notify Winchester clearly that the marriage was concluded and sworn by M. de Guise having power and procuration from Madame de Longueville his daughter, so that no more be said upon the subject, for the king of England would have given half his kingdom to have married her. [London], 31 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

1294. CASTILLON to BOCHETEL.

Ib. "Monsieur, faictes trouver ma lettre la meilleure que vous pourrez, je vous prie; si je parle un peu grassement, la matiere le requiert." Wishes to know how the King takes it. [London], 31 Dec.

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*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

31 Dec. **1295.** SIR RICHARD RYCHE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received a bill, under Privy Seal, whereby it appears the last earl of Northumberland, 20 March 27 Hen. VIII., granted to Sir William Percye, 104*l.* rent, out of Preston, Gisbourne, and Langstrothdale, Yorks., which Sir William surrendered to the King. By the death of the Earl, the lands were the King's by Act of Parliament, before 20 March, and all annuities, except to ordinary officers, void, saving that, by the Act, the Earl could and did grant annuities up to 100*l.* and no more; so that the King now grants the 104*l.* out of his own lands. The office of stewardship and "fostership" of Lekynfelde, contained in the said privy seal, are in variance; but how he cannot tell, for the books are in London. For these causes refused to seal the bill till he had spoken with Cromwell. Sir William has since been with the King, who commanded Mr. Henage to write to Ryche to explain the stay. Has written to Cromwell and not to Mr. Henage, supposing he knows most of the matter. Lieghez, 31 December. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir Richard Ryche, knight.

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31 Dec. **1296.** Chr. Hales to Cromwell.

R. O. Alcok, customer of Sandwich, is dead,* and I beg you to be good lord to my friend Mr. Hardys for his office. The widow of Alcok is his nigh kinsman, and he helps her now to the burial of her husband. Please keep me in remembrance for my matter of St. Albans which I have desired my friend Broke to solicit for me. Hakynton, 31 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The Master of the Rolls.

31 Dec. **1297.** Sir Wm. Parre to Cromwell.

R. O. According to his letter, dated 21st inst., has endeavoured to find out the persons who made the spoil in Lord Mountjoy's park at Abthorpe. Can get no perfect knowledge but that Sir John St. John, Sir John Parkar, and Sir Robt. Kirkham are suspected. Sends the confession of one Thos. Bright, who was sent to gaol at Northampton on St. Thomas day before Christmas. Horton, 31 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Dec. **1298.** William à Deane, Mayor of Wallingford, to the Mayor of Oxford.

R. O. I have received your letters, by which I perceive you have received the King's commission to inquire what persons have spread seditious tales of his Grace. I have called before me John à Deane, who has declared that one Will. Edmondes, of Reading, on the 12 Dec. last, told him, at Wallingford, that the King was dead. After the publishing of such words Sir Walter Stonor, Sir Will. Essex, and Mr. Fachell, of Reading, the King's commissioners in Berkshire, sent one of Stonor's servants to me to make inquiries, and I certified him that John à Deane heard the words of Will. Edmondes. "After that the said commissioners sent unto us a certain person, the which was punished and set upon the pillory, his ears cut off from his head, and afterwards whipped naked." He was sent to us from Newbury, and, after execution done by us, was sent unto Reading, being punished as the beginner of the said seditious tales. I desire that "the said Alexander" may be dismissed and put at your pleasure. Wallingford, 31 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

31 Dec. **1299.** Sir John Porte to Cromwell.

R. O. On Friday after the feast of St. Andrew, by reason of the adjournment at Stafford of the *oyer and terminer* holden there at the last assizes in summer, Porte rode thither with Mr. Fytzherbert and other commissioners. The vicar of Bedell, Sir Nich. Whelocke, indicted of treason, as Porte told Cromwell at his last being with him, was arraigned and acquitted. Also there William Holt shewed the commissioners that Sir Ric. Norres, parson of Chedull, had spoken treason. Held an inquest thereof, but could not find it true; so bound the parties for appearance, &c.

Porte then rode to Shrewsbury to the Lord President. Was commanded to wait on the Lord President and Council at Bridgenorth, 20 Jan., for causes betwixt the earl of Worcester and Lord Ferrars, and from Bridgenorth to ride to Worcester and show Mr. Welche,† sheriff of Worcestershire,

* He died 30 Dec. 1537. *See* Ministers' Accounts in Public Record Office, Q. R. Miscell. Customs, Bundle 305.

† Walter Walsh, sheriff in 1535–6 and 1536–7.

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the King's pleasure, as declared by Cromwell, concerning the friar there attainted of treason, and the two other persons of seditious words concerning the lord Steward and the earl of Derby. Etwall, last day of December. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* L. Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Dec. **1300.** Lord Leonard Grey to Henry VIII.

R. O Was continuing Parliament at Dublin, 19 Oct., when certified about 10 a.m. by Kayr O'Chonor how the traitor Brene O'Chonor had expelled the said Kayr from Offale after a fight, in which were slain 9 or 10 persons. Repaired the same day to Rathmahan on the borders of Offale and wrote to divers lords and gentlemen to join him; but so much rain had fallen that they could not enter Offale, the ways being impassable until the 10th Nov. Tarried on the borders of Offale until 30th Oct. for their defence, and then returned to the city to give praise to God for the news out of Wales of the birth of a prince and to consult the Commissioners about expelling the traitor. A "main journey" of 21 days' victuals was fixed for 12 Nov., when the army assembled. Passed Mageochagan's country and took his pledge and that of O'Molmoy. The traitor fled to Odoyn's country. Pursued him and burnt the country and he fled to Okarell's country. Returned into Offale and there found, in Kyllagh, an abbey of Observant Friars, and in Castle Geshyll corn enough to sustain 1,000 men for a year. Carried away much and burnt the rest. Then the traitor sent to say he would abide the King's order to be taken by the Chancellor, Under-Treasurer, and Grey, and, finally, Grey's order alone. Agreed to this to gain time until the long nights were past. The traitor, therefore, was coming accompanied by two of Grey's servants, when at Kynayfadd his brother Kayr came to him, and, after they had talked together, the traitor refused to go further. For the good services done by Kayr even in this last journey, Grey had always favoured him. Delayed writing as he hoped to write of the conclusion of the matter. Blames the lords and captains in this journey who shirked the dangerous passage of the fords, &c. Sees now that the marchers desire not the suppression of the King's enemies.

Begs licence to come to the King to detail matters too prolix to write of and to provide a bedfellow of his own country. Wants artillery, as the King's servant Barnardine de Valoys can show, and the Commissioners also. Maynooth, 31 Dec. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *In Brabazon's hand. Add. Endd.*

31 Dec. **1301.** Lord Leonard Grey to Cromwell.

R. O. To the same effect as No. 1,300., with the addition, at the end of the
St. P. II. 528. first paragraph, of a clause denying that he ever could have put O'Connor out of the way of making such attempts. Gave him leave at the instant suit of the earl of Ossory to go among his friends provided he came not to M^chylphatrike's, O'Carroll's, or Odoyn's countries, or anywhere near Offale; but never could apprehend him. Maynooth, 31 Dec.

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Dec. **1302.** Thomas Agard to Cromwell.

R. O. The Commissioners have been in the West, in Kilkenny, Clumen,
St. P. II. 532. Caschell, Watyrforthe, Dungarvan, and Waxsforthe with Mr. Treasurer and all his retinue. Since their return they have been in Meath, Dublin, Louth, and Uryell. Commends them, especially Mr. Sentleger. If the Commissioners were at home, with the Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls, they would speak of things that will not be written.

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1302. Thomas Agard to Cromwell—*cont.*

The Deputy made a costly hosting against Okoner, but they did nothing, and the Deputy was home two days before the army or Mr. Treasurer. Caire Okoner, who then waited upon the Deputy, is now the King's enemy. Fears there is some fault. The lords and gentlemen and many commons who were there say the Deputy took from them their horses and harness in the midst of the enemy's country, and many of them came home on foot. The marshall took their horses, "at whose command he best knoweth." Mr. Richard Butler came through Myken Phatryke's, O'Carrolle's and Odyn's countries to the Deputy and brought a good company. Dublin, 31 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal, in London.

31 Dec. **1303.** John Hutton to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 9.

Letters from Venice arrived yesterday, dated the 15th., certifying that peace is concluded between the Emperor and the French king, and that the French king's second son shall marry the Emperor's daughter and have the duchy of Milan in dote; also that Barba Russe is fled with 12 galleys to Messina, and has yielded himself to the Emperor. Strange if true! The commons of Gelderland have submitted to the duke of Cleves. Has shown Friar Peto the effect of Cromwell's letter, to which he will make answer by writing. He showed Hutton a letter from Michael Throgmorton, dated Rome, 30th Nov., reporting the great triumph made at Rome for his master's safe arrival; by which I perceive he much lamented his master being out of the King's favour, professing himself to be in suspicion both with his master and with your Lordship, and suggesting what high service his master might do the King if taken into favour. He writes that he will do his utmost to stay the putting forth of the book against the King, but doubts it will not be in his power, as a peace between the Emperor and Francis may lead to a General Council at Vinsencia, a town of the Venetians. Antwerp, 31 Dec.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

— Dec. **1304.** Richard Tracy to Cromwell.

R. O.

Obtained a lease of the manor of Bardysley, Glouc., from queen Anne, which lease was continued by the grant of the late queen Jane. Has spent much money in reparations. Is sick and cannot ride to London. Begs him to obtain for him the King's grant of the manor. Stanwey, —* Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

1305. Wm. Byrlyngam to Cromwell.

R. O.

Prays God to send him a good new year and that he may complete it as prosperously as he has entered it. There are persons so "replenished with iniquity" that they murmur and speak against Cromwell in a way not fitting to a peer of the realm and one of the King's Council. Feels it his duty to inform Cromwell of this, considering how he is bound to his Lordship for benefits received, both money and comforting words; especially in his suit for the lease he had of the abbey of Sopham Bulbek, which cost him much. The abbey was immediately dissolved, and given to Mr. Pachet, with whom he bargained for the farm of the house. Mr. Pachet, however, deceitfully bargained with another, so the writer has lost his money spent in suit.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

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1306. WILLIAM BYRLYNGAM to [CROMWELL].

B. M. As your Lordship has, in pure compassion, promised to aid me in my right, I once more entreat your help for the recovery of certain lands in Mychellden and about the forest of Dene, of which I am ready to deliver the evidences. Two kinsmen named John Adys and Ric. Ketforthe withhold me from my right.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.*

1307. NICOLAS DE CLEYBERGHE to CROMWELL.

R. O. "A me lord Privesel."

A loyal subject of the Emperor, Nicolas de Cleyberghe, has served his Majesty 24 years in Spain and Germany and in the wars of France, Gueldres, Frize, Utrecht, conquest of Overyssel, &c., as well as secretary as leader of his artillery. Seeing the evil of the long wars of Gueldres he devised means to subjugate that country and to secure the frontier towns of Flanders, Artois, and Hainault. For this, and attempting to obtain pardon for some persons condemned for the Gospel, certain lords now governing the Low Countries have deprived him of his offices and goods, and intended to force him to turn Frenchman to put him to death on the frontiers. Five months ago he landed at Calais and presented a petition to the governor and council and lord Chans, Grand Chamberlain, captain of Ghynnes, as above; adding that he was experienced in several new inventions of war, such as to provide for the speedy capture of Therouenne without any more artillery than was employed there, also for the capture of towns situated on the sea or large rivers, for fortifications, &c. Was asked whether he could flood certain marshes towards Guisnes, and undertook it, and for this the lord Deputy and Mons. de Saulmes (Palmer ?), Grand Porter, have entertained him ever since. Begs now for some "traictement de secrete" and for a gratuity to retire to his own quarter.

French, pp. 2. *Endd.:* A supplication of Nicholas Cleybergh, stranger.

1308. [JOHN ALEN] to THE COMMISSIONERS IN IRELAND.

R. O. They required him, under promise of secrecy, to write of abuses in
St. P. II. 486. Ireland and measures of reform necessary; but afterwards, lest several books should show a diversity of opinion, they were content he should join with others in conceiving a book. As his colleagues have not yet finished he will express his own mind. Has been the slacker in writing his mind as at their coming, and long after, he was sick and busy with matters of Parliament; besides, at their first coming he delivered them a book, and has hitherto made books to the King and Council, of which he has no copies by him and might vary from them and so be "deprehended." The King's revenues are increased beyond the sum there promised and his power greater than for 60 years past.

Is no man of war, but in the last eight years has been on more journeys than any of his degree. Enormities in this land have been greatly due to the deputies; not but that there have been good deputies, as the duke of Norfolk, and others. "Though my lord Deputy that now is be a noble man and a good gentleman, yet peradventure, if truth might say truth, men say, there would be noted more abuses in him than in most of the residue of the King's officers." Hints that the Deputy is not ruled by the laws. There should be wardens in the marches to redress robberies, &c. In case of petty robberies the Deputy, with the warden and gentlemen of that march, should parley with the offender and, if he be found wilful, punish him by sudden raids which hurt Irishmen more than any hostings can do. Indeed such journeys are of little use except in harvest or at Candlemas time to let the sowing of oats. The hearts and service of Irishmen must be regarded. After a raid

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1308. [JOHN ALEN] to THE COMMISSIONERS IN IRELAND—*cont.*

upon the Irish the Deputy should continue some time on that border to discourage the enemy. He need not charge the whole country, for if it be in Uriell he may lie at Dundalk; if with Orayly, at Kynleis, the Navan, or Arthboy; if with O'Chonour, at Trym, in Bremyngham's country, Rathangan, or Kildare; and if with O'More, at Athye. Other devices concerning the duty of the deputy, who should be a "mirror both of justice and chivalry" and not given to vile language. "The misuse or liberality of such speech I fear hath done more hurt of late than men with all their forces and policy can redubbe again." The Deputy hath lost the hearts both of friend and foe. Misuse of deputies in calling the Council together without due warning and to places where they could get no proper lodging. Hostings. Unnecessary that judges and officers of the courts should go on these journeys. Indentures with Irishmen as O'More and McGilpatrick. Extortions. Office of marshal of the host. No Brehon's laws should be used nor "canes, erykes, sawtes ne byenges" taken.—Administration of the King's laws.—As to the four shires above Barrow, until the Kavenaghes, Byrnnes, and Thooles be reformed a court should be kept at Waterford. The fees paid to officers of the liberty of Wexford and the priory of St. Katharine's besides Waterford would pay for this.—Ossory and his son.—Fees of law officers too small.—Meath should be made two counties, from Athboy westward being called Westmeath. —Court of Chancery, the Rolls, &c.—The Castle hall where the law is kept to be rebuilt, or the majesty of the law will perish and the judges have to minister the law upon hills "as it were Brehons or wild Irishmen in their eriottes." Orayle's fine of 1,000 kine would do this and repair Trym gaol. A common gaol to be in every shire. Petitions.

In Alen's hand. Add. at head: To Mr. Ant. Sentleger, Geo. Poulet, Thos. Moyle, and Wm. Berners, commissioners. *In margin:* Presented by the Master of the Rolls.

R. O. 2. Another copy.

Pp. 14. *Endd.:* The copy of a book exhibited to, &c.

1309. IRELAND.

R. O. "The Form of the Beads."

St. P. II. 564. Directs prayers for the King as Supreme Head (with exhortation, ordered by the abp. of Dublin, to renounce the Pope), "our young prince, prince Edward," lord Leonard Gray lord Deputy, &c.

Commences: "Ye shall pray for the universal Catholic Church."

Ends: "For these and for grace every man say a *Paternoster* and an *Ave*."

R. O. 2. Modern copy of the above.

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Dec. **1310.** IRELAND.

R. O. Account of William Brabason, the King's under-treasurer and receiver-general in Ireland; for 3½ years and 5 weeks ending Michaelmas 29 Henry VIII., *i.e.* from 26 Aug. 26 Henry VIII. to the said Michaelmas. Citing, as a preface, Brabason's patent of appointment. (*See* Vol. VII., No. 1122 (12).)

RECEIPTS:—

(1.) Arrearages due before the said period:—From Ric. Mason and John Bagott, receivers of Eskir, John Felde, late receiver of Arduilham, divers tenants of Waspayneston in the manor of Lucan, the bailiffs of Dublin, Walt. Dowdale for rent of a tenement of the late earl of Kildare in Drogheda, James Flemyng baron of Slane, Henry, abbot of St. Thomas

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the Martyr near Dublin (for release of temporalties in 26 Hen. VIII.), George bp. of Armagh (residue of treasure brought from England), Sir Chr. Barnewell, sheriff of Meath, Thos. Stephens, late receiver of Trim and Moyger, Sir Ric. Nugent baron of Delvyn for Dundalk, Sir Walt. Bedlowe lord of Roche for the same, Offerall Banne for a certain castle, late in tenure of the earl of Kildare, in Ofaralle's country. Total 136*l.* 8*s.* 5*d.*

(2.) Ancient possessions of the King:—*Co. Dublin:* From Thos. Crese, chaplain, receiver of Cromlyn, Patrick Sampson, receiver of Newcastell and the mill of Milton, Reg. Talbot, farmer of Corbally, Salisbaon and Ballymerg, John White, occupier of Pouersynnes, Ric. Donyll and Thos. Flemyng, farmers of Tassagard, John Aleyn, farmer of Eskir, the rent of Ric. Fitzwilliam's manor of Thornecastell, before it was granted to Patrick Fynglas and Chr. de la Hyde during the minority of Thomas, son and heir of Ric. Fitzwilliam of Bagerath, Ric. Salvage farmer of St. Laurence, Ric. Burnell and Gerald Nugent, farmers of Killeneuen, Staghuavyn and Burcolyn, the prior of St. Augustine's Dublin, farmer of Collet Innes, Reg. Talbot, tenant of Dalky in Omayll, Wm. Growe, farmer of an orchard in Newstrete in Dublin; some issues of Chapel Isold, not accounted for because it is now granted to Wm. Wise, gentleman-usher of the King's chamber. *Co. Meath:* From Thos. Stephens, farmer of Trym and Moyger, Peter Leyns receiver of Moyfenrath, Rathcower, Ballereyn and Balskeagh, Ric. baron of Delvin, farmer of Belgard and Foure, (Demor and Derver not accounted for, because granted to James Butler esq. for life, nor Castle Jordan, because it lay waste), issues of the manor of Cloghran, Gerald Fitzgerald, farmer of Castelricard, (Kilmory, Corbalislan and Wotton lay waste), Sir Chr. Nugent, farmer of Belacor, John Darcy, farmer of Rathwire, Ric. Birford, receiver of Rathtouth (with allowance for waste), Ric. baron of Delvin collector of "le Anuall" *i.e.* the price of 100 cows at 6*s.* each due at Easter, Ric. Protford collector of rents in Betaughton and Athgan, (the weir-pool in Fertullagh remained unlet because of the war of Thomas Fitzgerald), Ric. baron of Delvin, farmer of Templeton. *Cos. Louth and Wexford:* (The manor of Cowley lay waste all the time, and that of Carlingford with Castelmeis until Michaelmas 26 Hen. VIII.), Martin Scryne receiver of Carlingford (for the half year ending Easter 27 Hen. VIII.), (Green Castle remained waste until Easter 27 Hen. VIII., and John Prouse dec., late constable of Carlingford and Green Castle, took the issues there until Michaelmas 28 Hen. VIII.; after which Jerome Lynne, now constable, has taken them; the manor of Dondrum lay waste all the time of this account, the lordship of Morn and the manor of Ome part of the time, and the manor of Inferney all the time), John Tryvers, farmer of the fishery of the Banne, Janet Lynche, farmer of a water-mill in Galway, Macmorghoo, farmer of Fernes in co. Wexford, lately recovered from the rebels (for one year), Thos. Marteyn of Galway town for three places for netting salmon on the rivers there. Fee farms of Dublin, Drogheda, and Limerick. Total 1,830*l.* 18*s.* 0¾*d.*

(3.) Customs of the ports:—Dublin, Drogheda, and Dundalk, Thos. Stephens, Arland Ussher, and Thos. Agar, farmers for four years, 586*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, 553*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and 88*l.* respectively; Melok, issues 100*s.* from 14 May, 29 Henry VIII., on which day the priory of Holme Patrick, which formerly took the issues, was suppressed; Trym, John Royrke, farmer, at 4*l.* a year; Naas, David Sutton, farmer, since Michaelmas 26 Henry VIII., when it was recovered from Thomas Fitzgerald the traitor, at 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year; Foure, Ric. baron of Delvin, farmer, at 66*s.* 8*d.* a year. Total, 1,281*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(4.) Lands of the late earl of Kildare, attainted:—The manors, farms, &c. in cos. Meath, Kildare, Carlow, Dublin, Louth, Limerick, Kilkenny, Tipperary, Cork, and Wexford, being specified, with the names of the receivers and the periods for which they have accounted, &c. The places are:—*Meath*, manors of Portlester, Kildalk, Moylagh, Moynalwey, Owghthillagh, Coulcurre, Cullendragh, and Coyneston; lands in Dougheston, Barreston, Jenkenston, Warenston, Wodcokkeston, Blakhall, and Pierston Marchall; manor of Arduilham, lands in Screne, Fertullagh, Kynalyagh, Beall, Bernegon, Clonquoyllan, Loviston, Ballyntoughir, and Crewe, manors of Clancoughor, Stonton, Killenure le Carne, and other manors in Maghircorik, lands in Castlebar, Lesserdunlagh, and Newcastell, manors of Rathbegan, Kiltale, Carbreston, and Ballybarrok. *Kildare*—manor of Kildare, lands in Kilkake, castles and manors of Leye and Morette, manors of

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Moreston Viller, Milton and Boranston cum Alowne in the barony of Connall, lands in Ballikeno and Ballycrodan and the baronies of Clane, Oughterim and Okeyth, manors of Maynouth and Mynonsley, turbaries in Redmore beside Ballygorney, manors of Kildrought and Blackewood, lands in Donada, manor of Rathmore, castle of Lady Castell, manors of Kilka and Thristeldermote, Norragh, Glashele, Rathangan, Woodstock and Athye, and Trymolyn. *Carlow*—Cloneogan and Kelliston. *Dublin*—manors of Lucan and Waspayneston, with lands in Newcastell, Cromlyn, and Agoo. *Louth*—Athirde and Molenston, manor of Marshialrath, lands in Downgoill, Waringisland, Castelton, Dowcawan, Killenen, Balleregan, and Rathskiagh, castle and manor of Arglasse in Le Cale, manors of Priourton next Termonfeiben and Cnocke, and a tenement in Drogheda. *Limerick*—manors of Adare, Crom, Rathcaman, Tiberney, and Carrickittell (James FitzJohn of Desmond took the rents of the first and the rest lay waste). *Kilkenny*—Glasshare manor. *Tipperary*—manors of Knockgraffyn, Castellcurre, Siffyn, and Ballenry. *Cork*—lands beside the town of Cork. *Wexford*—rectory of Killenagh, farmed by Wm. Ketyng, preceptor of Kilclogan. Total, 2,177*l.* 11*s.* 9½*d.*

(5.) Lands of James Fitzgerald, traitor:—Manor of Lexlippe, lordship of Rathvilla, and other lands (specified) in Kildare and Waterford. Total, 167*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*

(6.) Of Oliver Fitzgerald:—Lands in Ballyjordan, Litilbrune, and other places (named) in co. Meath. Total, 23*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*

(7.) Of Ric. Fitzgerald:—Certain issues (specified) of the lordships of Powerscourt and Templecarge, Fassaghroo and Rathdowne in co. Dublin. Total, 40*s.*

(8.) Of Walter Fitzgerald:—Lands (specified) in the barony of Carbre in co. Dublin. Total, 6*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*

(9.) Of Walter de la Hyde:—Lands (specified) in the barony of Carbre in co. Kildare. Total, 58*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

(10.) Of William Bath, traitor:—Manors of Dullardston, Shenshalleston, Thurstenston, Rollanston, and Tancardston, the lordships of Ardgalff and Peperton, and the manors of Faganston and Rayeston in co. Meath; manors of Le Nangre, Kilbride, and Sclaffardston, and lands in Knockdromen and Lusk in co. Dublin. Total, 146*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.*

(11.) Of Chr. Eustace:—Farms of Corbetiston and Halouston, manors of Symondston, Daltonston, and rents in Haukenston, Maceston, Hogenston, and elsewhere (indicated) in Meath (some lordships not accounted for because assigned to Elizabeth relict of the said Eustace); rents in Sigenston and other places (named) in cos. Kildare and Dublin. Total, 195*l.* 5*d.*

(12.) Of John Burnell, traitor:—Lordships of Balligriffyn and Castelknock, and rents in Cowparke and elsewhere (named) in co. Dublin; rents in Bolys, Esterkernes, and other places (named) in Meath, some of which are assigned to Lady Joan Talbot, relict of ——— (*blank*) Burnell, father of the said traitor; the lordship of Hagard and lands in Ballybalryk in co. Louth; a number of other lands (specified) are also not accounted for because assigned to the foresaid Lady Joan Talbot. Total, 162*l.* 11*s.* 2½*d.*

(13.) Of Tege Obrene, McConnor, and Dermot McDonyle:—Lands in Annaghrock and Downyng which lay waste and yielded nothing.

(14.) Of David Nevell, baron, traitor:—The manor of Roscaralon and certain rents in Montaynton and elsewhere (named) in co. Wexford. Total, 119*s.* 3*d.*

(15.) Of James Kethyng, traitor:—Lands in Kilcowan, &c. (named), in co. Wexford. Total, 9*l.* 4*s.*

(16.) Of William Purcell:—Farms in Dunboyn, in co. Dublin. Total, 50*s.*

(17.) Small farms (of escheated lands not specified). Total, 23*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

(18.) Lands late of the earl of Shrewsbury:—Manors of Roslare, Ballymor, Ballymaskalers, Kildowan, and Carge, and rents in Clereston, Derbes Island, and Wexford, in co. Wexford. Total, 102*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.*

(19.) Of the duke of Norfolk and lord Berkley:—Manors of Ballifaxer, Dippis, and Cathirlagh, with the town of Rosse and lordship of Old Rosse in the Fassaghbentre. Total, 116*l.* 19*s.* 7½*d.*

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(20.) Lands late of the earl of Wiltshire and Sir George Seintleger, coheirs of Thomas late earl of Ormond :—Manors of Oughtrard, Castelwarning, Russhe, Balscadan, Portrarn, and rents in Clyntonscourte and Dublin, in cos. Dublin and Kildare; the manor of Blackcastell in Meath; lordships of Kilkenny, Gawran, and Knocktohir, and manors of Carrik McGriffyn, Tullagh, Phelym, Arclowe, and Rosse, fee farm of Waterford, manor and rectory of Dongarven, in cos. Kilkenny and Waterford. Total, 423*l.* 11*s.* 4½*d.*

(21.) Possessions lately belonging to the priory of Lanthony, in England:—Grange of Dueleke, lands in Loghir, Colpe, and other places, and tithes of numerous other places (detailed) in Meath, Louth *alias* Uriell, and Dublin; also pensions from the priors of Molinger (pension lately pertaining to the "said late monastery" of Dueleke and Colpe), Triscuagh and Christchurch in Dublin, and the rectors of Kilwolagh, and [of St. Peter's and St. Mary's in Drogheda. Total, 597*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.**

(22.) Lands of the late abbey of Dueleke suppressed :—Manors of Dueleke, Corbally, Caillaghtou, Le Ridder, and lands and tithes (detailed) in Meath. Total, 29*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.*†

(23.) Lands lately belonging to the abbey of Furness, in England :—A few places in Meath and Louth (detailed). Total, 30*l.* 6*d.**

(24.) Lands belonging to the late (*sic*) abbey of Osney :—Rectory of Kiltenan and lands in Kepdromyn and Slevoyn in co. Tipperary. Total, 6*l.**

(25.) Of the late house of St. Thomas of Acon, London:—A messuage in Ballenegannenagh in co. Tipperary. 4*l.**

(26.) Lately belonging to St. Augustine's, Bristol:—Rectories of Casteldonagh *alias* Bananagh, Dissert and Kilferagh, and a messuage in Thomastown in co. Kilkenny, and the rectory of Inhorollyn in O'Brien's country. 12*l.**

(27.) Of the late monastery of Cartmell:—Lands in Kilrush and tithes in Ballisax in co. Kildare. 12*l.**

(28.) Of the late house of St. Wolstan, suppressed :—From John Aleyn, Master of the Rolls, to whom the lands (not specified) were granted by patent. 15*l.**

(29.) Of the late abbey of Holme Patrik:—Manors and lands specified in co. Dublin. 35*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*†

(30.) Of St. Peter's beside Trym:—Lands in Meath. 46*l.* 15*s.* 6½*d.*†

(31.) Abbey of Bektiff, dissolved—Lands in Meath. 42*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*†

(32.) Of Donbrody, dissolved:—Lands in Wexford. 6*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*†

(33.) Of Tyntern, with certain possessions late of Christchurch in Canterbury:—Demesne lands of Tynterne and other lands, &c. specified in Wexford, and two messuages in the town of Waterford. 44*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.*†

(34.) Of the late house of nuns beside Dublin :—Lands in Dublin and Meath. 7*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*†

(35.) Of the late monastery of Baltinglasse :—Lands specified in Kildare and Carlow. 26*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*†; much being unaccounted for because of waste caused since the time of the dissolution of the monastery, 18 May 27 Hen. VIII., by the wars of Terence O'Thole Macmorough, and the O'Mores.

(36.) Of Duske :—Lands specified but some of the names not filled in, 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*,† allowance for waste caused by the wars of MakMorrough and the Cavanaghs since the dissolution in May last.

(37.) Lands of the King's wards, being under age, *i.e.*, of Maurice s. and h. of Thos. Fitzmores in Balfegham, co. Meath. and Lecagh, co. Kildare; Walter s. and h. of John Tuytt in Le Sonagh, Julianstoun, &c., co. Meath; Barnaby s. and h. of Robt. Scorlok of Athboy (up to Michaelmas 28 Hen. VIII. when he attained full age); Gerald s. and h. of Patrick Archebold of Moch Bree in co. Dublin (up to Easter 29 Hen. VIII. when he attained full age); John s. and h. of Charles Welsshe in Sangannagh, co. Dublin; John s. and h, of Ric. Cusake in Ballynilham, co. Meath; Behan s. and h. of John Okenelan in Balmekyll, co. Meath (up to Mich. 27 Hen. VIII. when he attained full age); Robert s. and h. of James Darcy (not accounted for because granted to Garrald Fitzgarrald by the King's letters); Nicholas s. and h. of Peter Taaff of Ballybragan (from Mich. a° 26); Robert s. and h. of Oliver Eustace in Lestartan, co. Meath (from Mich. a° 27); Maurice

* For a year and a half. † For one half year.

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s. and h. of Gerald Fitzgerald in Donnor and Le Keragh, co. Kildare (from Mich. a° 27) James s. and h. of Gerald Wogan in le Downynges, co. Kildare (from Mich. a° 27) —— (*blank*) Barnewell, s. and h. of Robert Barnewell, of Dromnagh, in Athird, co. Louth (from Mich. a° 27); Edm. s. and h. of Walter Goldyng of Person Landy in Jordanston and Moreston, co. Meath (for 1½ years ending Mich. 29 Hen. VIII.) Total, 401*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*

Proceeds of sale of certain wards, *i.e.*, Thomas s. and h. of Nic. Wycombe of Dryname (sold to Patrick Russell and John Belyng), Robt. s. and h. of John s. and h. of Oliver Eustace of Lestarton (David Sutton), Nich. Taaff of Ballybragan (Patrick Barnewell), Maurice s. and h. of Thomas Fitzgerald of Balfeaghan (David Sutton and Walt. Goldyng), Walt. Marward s. and h. of Jas. Mayleward baron of Shryne (Thos. Cusak), James Wogan of the Downynges (Ric. Foster and John Ryan), Jas. (*sic*) Fitzgerald of Donnour (the same). Total 383*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(38.) Issues of the Subsidy from clergy and temporalty (detailed) in cos. Dublin, Louth, Meath, Kildare, and Wexford. Total 2,836*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*

(39.) From lands of absentees under the statute 3 Ric. II., *i.e.*, of the priories of Christchurch in Canterbury and Cartmell, the vicar of Balmadon, Steph. Crenan vicar of Outrard and rector of Rathangan, and St. Augustine's by Bristol. Total 46*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*

(40.) Escheats, 7*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

(41.) Fines and amercements (classified), 805*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.*

(42.) Temporalties of the archbishopric of Dublin (detailed) for 1½ years ending Mich. 27 Hen. VIII., 623*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*

(43.) First fruits (specified) from William Power, archd. of Dublin, Simon Geffrey, rector of Howthe, Jas. Humfrey* r. of Payneston, Ric. Grey r. of Lyne, Simon Geffrey vicar of Stamelyn, Nic. Petite v. of Mollinger, John Wogan* v. of Bolrodry, And. Barnewell* v. of Kyllowan, Edward Bassenott* dean of St. Patrick's, Dublin, Hen. Dermotte v. of Athboy, Eustace Broun v. of Casteldermott, Jas. O'Mollegan v. of Karragh, David Longe* v. of Bowdonston, Ric. Byrmyngeham* v. of Clonshanbowe, Dowlyn Obyrn* v. of Ballysax, Edm. Doyn v. of Callioyston, James —— (*blank*) v. of Clane, John Fyan v. of Maynooth, John Kelly* v. of Tymoho, Ric. Rawson* v. of Taghmothan, Philip McMalaghlyn r. of Ballysonan, Christopher archbishop of Tuam,* Gilb. Rosse* v. of Swerdes (in anno 29), Edm. Barnewell r. of Stacallan (in a° 29°), John Devereux* v. of Kilmore (in a° 29°), Thos. Creff v. of Stabanan (in a° 29°), Nic. Cusak r. of Kilbery, Gerald Dowdall* r. of Heyneston, made at the times of their several inductions in 28 Hen. VIII. Total 398*l.* 17*s.*

(44.) Sale of jewels, &c., of the suppressed monasteries (named), 244*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*

(45.) Goods and chattels of traitors and outlaws, *i.e.*, John Burnell, Jas. Felde, Wm. Bathe, Jas. Mayler, John Hicke, M.D., Edw. Dillon dean of Kildare, Simon Walsshe vicar of Rathebegan, Jas. Delahyde, Dough Oboye Galoghlagh, Peter Boy "horsman," Chr. Parys, Pat. Faye, Edm. McNase, Walter Sayse, John Travers S.T.P., the late earl of Kildare and others, Edw. Delahyde clk. rector of Kilbery, —— (*blank*) Keting, —— (*blank*) Nevell, baron, James Fitzgerald (in Rathvilla and Holywood) —— (*blank*) —— (*blank*) traitor (in Inestiok, co. Kilkenny), Brian FitzGerald and Walt. Delahyde; the horses of Jas. Fitzgerald (*nil*, because remaining in the waste of Balmaglassan) and —— (*blank*) Walsshe, traitor (in Wm. Byrmyngeham's custody); there are also goods of Jas. Flemmyng of Stevenston in co. Meath, outlaw. Total 508*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.*

(46.) Tributes of Irish chieftains to be continued for life, commencing at various dates in 29 Hen. VIII., *i.e.*, of Donill O'Murrowe, Wm. O'Doran, McVadok, Chas. McArte Mac O'More, Creon Cavenagh, and Dowlin Cavenagh, made with Wm. Seyntloo, and of Malage Obrine made with Wm. Brabason, under-treasurer. Total 26*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(47.) Fines of Irishmen:—O'Connor, 200*l.*, and O'Murho, 16*l.*, for offences prior to June 29 Hen. VIII., and O'More, 19*l.* for possession of his country, Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.

(48.) Hidden treasure (2 items), 56*s.* 8*d.*

* These are still in arrear for part of their payments, as appears by the third part of this account.

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(49.) Issues of the Hanaper (Nicholas Stanhurste, clerk of the Hanaper from 9 Aug. 27 Hen. VIII. to 20 Oct. 28 Hen. VIII., Thomas Aleyn, clerk from 20 Oct. 28 Hen. VIII. to 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII.), 108*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*

Total receipts, 14,438*l.* 11*s.* 3½*d.* *Signed by Sentleger, Poulet, Moyle and Berners, commissioners, and by Richard Delahyd and Patrick Whyte, chief and second barons of the Exchequer.*

II. PAYMENTS.

(1.) Fees of officers up to Michaelmas 29 Hen. VIII., *i.e.*, of John Barnewell lord Trymletiston, Chancellor, for 3½ years at 40*l.* John Aleyn, Master of the Rolls, for 4 years at 20*l.*, besides 10*l.* out of the ports of Dublin and Drogheda, Nic. Stanhurst, clerk of the Crown (Chancery), at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for one year ending Easter 26 Hen. VIII., Robert Cowley, clerk of the Crown for the subsequent period; Wm. Fitzwilliam, clerk of the Hanaper, at 10*l.* for one year ending Easter 26 Hen. VIII., Nic. Stanhurst and Thos. Aleyn subsequently. Patrick Fynglas, chief justice of King's Bench, at 100*l.* for one year ending Easter 26 Hen. VIII, Gerald Aylmer, subsequently; Chr. de la Hyde, 2nd justice, at 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* until Michaelmas a° 26, Patrick White until Easter a° 26, Thos. Houthe subsequently; Jas. Cusak, clerk of the Crown (King's Bench), at 10*l.* for three years. Ric. Delahyde, chief justice of Common Pleas, at 40*l.* for half a year ending Mich. a° 26, Thos. Lutterell subsequently; Thos. Cusak, 2nd justice, at 30*l.* for 1½ years ending Mich. a° 27, Walt. Cardyff subsequently; Thos. Fynglas, chirographer and prothonotary, at 10*l.* for 3½ years. Lord James Butler, chief treasurer of Ireland, at 40*l.* for 4 years; Wm. Brabason, under-treasurer, at 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Gerald Aylmer, chief baron of the Exchequer, at 40*l.* for one year ending Easter a° 26, Patrick Fynglas subsequently, until the Nativity of St. John a° 29, he having died before Michaelmas; Pat. White, 2nd baron, at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for 3½ years; Ric. Delahyde, chancellor of the Exchequer or of the Green Wax, at 10*l.* for one year ending Mich. a° 26, Thos. Cusak until the Easter following, and John Aleyn subsequently; Thos. Houthe, chief remembrancer, at 10*l.*; Patrick Moyle, 2nd remembrancer, at 50*s.*; Thos. Bathe, chief chamberlain, at 10*l.*, all for 3½ years; Thos. Dillon, 2nd chamberlain, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for ½ year ending Mich. a° 26, Thos. Canon until Easter following, and Thos. Aleyn subsequently; Walt. Hussey, chief engrosser, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for 3½ years; Walt. Goldyng, 2nd engrosser, for ½ year ending Mich. a° 26, Ric. Savage until Easter a° 26, and the said Walt. Goldyng subsequently; the said Walter transcriber of the Exchequer at 53*s.* 4*d.* for ½ year ending Mich. a° 26, Nic. Bedlowe until Mich. a° 27, and the said Walter subsequently; Robt. Houth, summoner, for ½ year ending Mich. a° 26, Nic. Bedlowe for the next year, Hugh Holgrave subsequently. John Talbott, clerk of the Common Pleas, at 56*s.* 8*d.* for ½ year ending Mich. a° 26, John Belyng for the next year, and Robt. Caddall subsequently; John Rian, under-treasurer's clerk, for 3½ years at 7*l.*; Edm. Griffith, marshal of the courts, for 3 years at 106*s.* 8*d.*; John Goodryk, janitor and crier at 56*s.* 8*d.*; until Easter a° 27, and John Clerk subsequently; Wm. Carrik, messenger, at 26*s.* 8*d.* for 3 years.

Thos. Lutterell, King's serjeant-at-law, for half a year ending Mich. a° 26 at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, Patrick Barnewell subsequently; Thos. Houthe, King's attorney, for one year ending Mich. a° 26 at 12*l.*, Robt. Dillon subsequently; John Alleyn, clerk of the Council at 10*l.* and clerk of Parliament (commenced 1 May a° 28 and continued until 22 Dec. a° 29) at 2*d.* a day; Ric. Savage, chief serjeant of the county of Dublin and the cantred of Newcastle juxta Lyons (by letters patent) for 1½ years at 6*l.* 15*s.*; John White (and Owen his son), serjeant-at-arms, for 3½ years at 10*l.*

Also fees detailed of Patrick Barnewell, collector of customs of the port of Dublin until Mich. a° 27 and Robt. Cowley his successor, and Robt. Casy, comptroller of the same; of Robt. Yon, collector of customs of Drogheda, until Mich. a° 27 and Walter Cowley his successor, and Ric. ap. David, comptroller; of Sir John White, constable of Dublin Castle for four years; Thos. Stephens, constable of Trym and Wiclowe castles for three and a half years; Ric. Metcalff, gunner in Dublin Castle, appointed by letters patent, 28 June 28 Hen. VIII., and Ric. Goodyn, gunner, appointed by letters patent, 29 Aug.

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29 Hen. VIII.; of John White, yeoman-runner of the city of Limerick, appointed by letters patent, 6 May 27 Hen. VIII.

Also fees of divers officers of the archbishopric of Dublin during the vacancy, *i.e.*, Thos. Cusak, bailiff of the liberty of St. Sepulchre's, Ric. Foster, steward of the courts, Thos. Fitzsymondes, constable of Swerdes Castle, Chr. Eustace, constable of Ballymore Castle for half a year ending Mich. a° 26, and John Gibbons, constable for the year following, Piers earl of Ossory, constable of Dungarven, and Thos. Stevens, receiver of the manor of Trim.

Total, 2,458*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.*

(2.) Rewards given:—To divers of the afore-named officers of Chancery and Exchequer; to John Porter, clerk of the chief-remembrancer for writing the inquisitions taken of the lands of the traitors; to Gerald Aylmer, chief justice, James White and Wm. Wise, of Waterford, commissioners for holding sessions of peace and gaol delivery in cos. Waterford, Kilkenny, and Wexford in December and January 28 Hen. VIII.; to Patrick Caddell, speaker of the Parliament begun 1 May 28 Hen. VIII. and continued until 22 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.; to Robt. Fitzsymondes, B.C.L., Master in Chancery, at the Lord Deputy's assignment; to Sir Chr. Barnewell, of Crykeston, Walter Chever, and Thos. Cusak, of Gorrardiston, sheriffs of Meath, Walter Cruse, sheriff of co. Dublin, and the sheriffs of Kildare and Louth; to officers of the liberty of Wexford, namely, John Devereux, chief justice, Nich. Rocheforde, steward and clerk of the peace, Thos. Cusak, receiver of Shrewsbury's lands, and Hamon Stafford, sheriff of the county, all for one and a half years, ending Mich. a° 29; to the particular receivers (specified) of the lands of traitors, and of suppressed monasteries, &c., and to divers collectors of subsidy. To Sir Ric. Nugent, baron of Delvyn, governor of Ireland, for eight weeks in June, July, and August 26 Hen. VIII. during the absence in England of the earl of Kildare, then deputy, 20*l.* To Wm. Bathe, under-treasurer (by appointment of the said earl of Kildare), for half a year ending Whitsuntide, 26 Hen. VIII., 6*l.* To Sir John White for his defence of Dublin Castle against Thos. Fitzgerald from July to October 26 Hen. VIII. until the coming of Sir Wm. Skevington with the King's army, 81*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* To Thos. Cusak for the survey of the lands of traitors and of suppressed monasteries, 20*l.* To lord Leonard Grey, lord deputy, for conducting with 70 horsemen, the King's commissioners in Dublin, Carlow, Tipperary, and Kilkenny, for the said survey and for the sessions in co. Kilkenny, 75*l.* To James lord Butler, lord treasurer, for arrears due at Mich. a° 25 when Wm. Bathe, traitor, was under-treasurer, and for custody of the manors of Carlow, Leighlyn, Thisteldermote, and Glasshare against the Geraldines for three years ending Mich. 28 Hen. VIII., given upon the letters of the lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal to the said under-treasurer, 80*l.* To Ric. Talbot, merchant of Dublin, in satisfaction of 55*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* due to him from divers religious houses now suppressed, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total, 682*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*

(3.) Annuities and pensions granted under various conditions (specified) to McMorgho, captain of his nation, 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, Bernard O'Connor 40*l.*, Piers earl of Ossory 30*l.*, Eliz. countess of Kildare, in full satisfaction of her jointure, 200*l.*, the bpric. of Meath, for the site of the castle of Trym, 100*s.*, the city of Dublin, for the maintenance of the walls, &c., 69*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, the abbey of St. Thomas the Martyr beside Dublin, by grant 20 April, 3 John, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, priory of Christchurch, Dublin, by grant of Hen. VII., 20*l.*, town of Drogheda 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, the Carmelites of Dublin 100*s.*, the Friars Preachers there 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and in Drogheda the same, the Austin Friars of Dublin 13*s.* 4*d.*, Thos. Rocheford, late dean o St. Patrick's, Dublin, Nich. Cardyff, late chancellor, and Robt. Sutton, late archdeacon of the same, feoffees of certain of Kildare's lands in Rathebegan which they granted to John Russell, chaplain, by their letters 8 April, 10 Henry VIII., for life, 106*s.* 8*d.*, Patrick Barnewell of Feldeston (allowances made him by Sir James Fitzgerald and Ric. Fitzgerald of Powerscourt, whose lands are now forfeited), 46*s.* 8*d.*, Robert Dillon, "narrator" (allowance granted by Thos. Broun, late prior of the cathedral church of St. Peter, New Town beside Trym, now dissolved), 13*s.* 4*d.* To heads of religious houses now dissolved, *i.e.*, Ph. Corre, prior of Holmepatrick, 8*l.* (there is also 26*s.* 8*d.* to John Aleyn,

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master of the Rolls, which was allowed him by the priory of Holmepatrick), Alex Devereux, abbot of Dunbrody, 15*l.*, John Pore, abbot of Tinterne, 15*l.*, Owen Coffey, prior of St. Peter's of the Newtown beside Trym, 15*l.*, John Galboly, abbot of Baltinglas, 10*l.*, Edm. Auger, abbot of Dueleke, 10*l.*, Marg. Gaydon, abbess of Le Hogges beside Dublin, 6*l.*, and John English, abbot of Bectiff, 15*l.* To Thomas Lutterell 13*s.* 4*d.*, originally granted by the prior of St. Peter's, Newtown. Also 40*s.* "concess. vicario ecclesiæ parochialis Sancti Canici de Sancto Busco percipiend. annuatim extra rectoriam ejusdem vicar. jamdudum pertin. nuper priorat. sive sellis de Dueleke et Coulpe." Total, 1,455*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

(4.) Procurations and synodals paid to the bp. of Meath and the archdeacons of Meath and Kenlis and to the archbishop and archdeacon of Dublin out of possessions of the cells of Dueleke and Colpe, which belonged to Lanthony in England. Total, 83*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

(5.) Allowances upon the Subsidy (specified) made to the houses of St. John of Jerusalem, St. Thomas the Martyr, St. Mary the Virgin next Dublin, and Grace Dieu for lands in Tany, Ballymore, Swerdes, Newcastle, Drogheda, and Athyr, the "crocea et clerus com. Midd," and elsewhere, upon pretext of former privileges and of an Act of Parliament of May 28 Hen. VIII.; also upon the lands of Dueleke Abbey and Le Hogges Priory, and of John Travers, S.T.P., attainted, because now in the King's hands; also on certain lands (named) assigned for the payment of O'Connor's annuity; also upon certain Crown lands which lay waste during the Geraldine rebellion; also to divers persons occupying land in Swerdes, Fynglas, and other places (named). Total, 408*l.* 9*s.* 5½*d.*

(6.) Necessaries:—Parchment, paper, ink and wax, 24*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the prior and canons of Christchurch, Dublin, for singing hymns and anthems after the terms of Michaelmas and Hilary in the courts of Chancery, the two Benches, and Exchequer, at 6*s.* 8*d.* a year; payments of jurymen, messengers and clerks; Patrick Barnewell, King's serjeant-at-law, Thos. Cusak of Cosingeston, Thos. Ager, Ric. Foster, and John Cardiff, surveying attainted and suppressed lands, 128*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*; cost to the Under-treasurer, with 60 horsemen, of conducting the Commissioners from Dublin through Meath, Kildare, &c., and of treating with James FitzJohn of Desmond during eight weeks and four days in Oct., Nov., and Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., 73*l.* 15*s.*; green wax, &c., 72*s.* 5*d.* Total, 284*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.*

(7.) Repairs of divers castles and mills (named), 642*l.* 9*s.*

(8.) Costs of the wards:—To the prioress of Odder for keeping Maurice Fitz Thomas, s. and h. of Thos. Fitzmores of Balfeighan, and to Thos. Cusak for Walter s. and h. of John Tute of Sonnagh, for 3½ years; to Pat. Garnon for Nicholas s. and h. of Peter Taaff of Ballybragan for 3 years; to Thos. Cusak for Richard s. and h. of Walter Synnot, of Ballybrennon, for one year. Total, 36*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

(9.) Payments by warrant of the Deputy and Council:—21 July anno 26, to Robt. Casy for carrying letters to the King. 9*l.* To David Sutton in discharge of 48*l.* due to him by the late Chr. Eustace, attainted, 20*l.* Purchases made for Frances, wife of that traitor Thos. Fitzgerald at the time Thos. Poulett conducted her to England, 10*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* To Sir John White, constable of Dublin Castle, for diets of Wm. Purcell, Edw. Fitzgarrald, Wm. Bath, Chr. Eustace, Jas. Felde, Nich. Waffer, Edw. Rokkes, Dr. Trevers, Dr. Hikkye, and other prisoners, 19*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To Gerald Aylmer, late second justice of Common Pleas, for arrears of fee for a year and a half ending Easter 26 Hen. VIII., when Wm. Bathe, traitor, was under-treasurer, 30*l.* Robt. Payneswick, late proctor of Dueleke and Coulpe, and John Sarsewell, clk., canon there, in rewards at the dissolution, 15*l.* Allowance of half of 90*l.* charged above on lands late of the earl of Wiltshire and Sir George Seintleger, as heirs of Thomas late earl of Ormond, for 1½ years ending Mich. 29 Hen. VIII., because the half pertains to Anne Seintleger, late wife of Sir George, as parcel of her jointure (notwithstanding her absence from Ireland, she and her husband having in survivorship the King's licence of absence). To a Franciscan friar, messenger between James Fitz John of Desmond and the Commissioners, 30*s.* For a robe of scarlet wool trimmed with velvet presented to the said James, 6*l.* To Wm. Walssh, of Yoghill, the King's servant, 16*l.* 10*s.*, and Patrick Goould, servant to the said James, 60*s.* Carriage of a chest for the King's treasure from Maynooth to Dublin, 6*s.* 8*d.* Firewood for the Commissioners' lodging in Dublin, 12*l.* Total, 188*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.*

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(10.) Allowances made to divers farmers, &c. for devastation caused by the rebellion of the Geraldines (detailed), 212*l.* 10*s.*

Total payments, 6,453*l.* 13*s.* 0½*d.*; and due, 7,984*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.*, whereof paid towards the cost of the wars in Ireland, as shown by the account of the same, 5,470*l.* 10*s.*; and remains due 2,514*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.*

From which :—

III. RESPITES :—

(1.) One half of the 200*l.* fine taken from Bernard O'Connor (because received by the lord Deputy to his own use under colour of a gift from the King, as he says) respited until the King's letters patent or other warrant may be seen. 45*l.* out of the fee farm of Limerick for 3½ years, received by Edm. Sexten, sewer of the Chamber, on the strength of letters from lord Cromwell, as is said; also 7*l.* 10*s.* out of the same for the salary of John White, runner for two years ending Mich. a° 29. 158*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* received by Peter earl of Ossory, out of the issues of Dungarvan upon the King's grant o 26 Feb. a° 19. Total, 303*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.*

(2.) Arrears unpaid by receivers, collectors, bailiffs, and farmers, detailed at great length under the headings of King's ancient possessions, customs, subsidy, small farms, homage, fines and amercements, lands of wards, suppressed houses, &c., as in the first part of the account. Total, 2,211*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*

Total, 2,514*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.*

Remainder, *nil.* *Signed by the four Commissioners and by Delahide and White, barons of the Exchequer. Note appended that a duplicate remains in the Exchequer in Ireland.*

Latin. A parchment book of 32 long membranes written upon both sides.

R. O. 2. Declaration (a brief *precis*) of the preceding account.

Paper roll of four leaves written on one side only.

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1. The dean and canons of the royal chapel of St. George in Winsdor Castle. Mortmain grant, in frank almoign, of the advowson of the vicarage of the church of Monklane, Heref. Westm. Palace, 30 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 1 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 18.

2. Sir Edw. Nevell. Grant, in tail male, of the manor of Argentynes, Essex, with appurtenances in Fordham, Essex, and elsewhere, and the messuages, lands, and tenements called Pondehouse, in Fordham, Essex, which premises came to the King by grant (20 June 29 Hen. VIII.) of Sir Thos. Audeley. *Del.* Westm., 1 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 45.

3. Will Conyngesby, general-attorney of the duchy of Lancaster. Grant, in tail, for 300*l.* paid to John Jenyns, a page of the Privy Chamber, of the reversion and rent reserved upon a lease, which Sir Edw. Belknapp (by virtue of pat. 5 Jan. 7 Hen. VIII. appointing the said Sir Edward and Barth. Westby and Rob. Blagge surveyors-general of Crown lands in accordance with the statute 6 Hen. VIII.) granted to John Butts of Myddelton, Norf., by a certain deed indented, of the site of the manor of Rouughton, Norf., with a grange, house and all demesne lands, &c., thereto belonging; which manor of Rouughton or Rooughton Hall was lately held by one Ric. Myot, and was parcel of the lands called Beamoundes lands, late of lord Beamound; for 21 years; at the annual rent of 17*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 2 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 19.

4. Thos. Decon, yeoman of the Guard. To be bailiff of the lordships or manors of Haulloughton, Laughton, and Ernesby, Leic., lately belonging to William late viscount Beaumont, *vice* Simon Plant, deceased; with fees of 2*d.* a day. Westm. Palace, 7 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 2 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

5. Nomination of John Hodgkin, S.T.P., as bishop suffragan of Bedford; on presentation of him and Rob. Struddell, S.T.P., by John, bishop of London. With request to the abp. of Canterbury for his consecration according to the of Act 26 Hen. VIII. Westm., 2 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.*, 3 Dec.—P.S. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 14. Rym. XIV. 584.

6. Thomas lord Crumwell, keeper of the Privy Seal. To be (1) steward of the lordship or manor of Haveryngatbowre, Essex, (2) keeper of the house or chief messuage

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of the said lordship or manor, (3) keeper of the park of Haveryngatbowre, keeper of the (4) south gate and (5) palace of the same park, (6) keeper of the wood, forest, and warren, and (7) bailiff or collector of the rent of the said lordship; with annual fees of 6*l.*, 3*l.* 10*d.*, 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*, 3*l.* 10*d.*, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, 3*l.* 10*d.*, and 5*l.* respectively. Westm. Palace, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—*Del.* Westm., 3 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 36.

7. Thos. Carye, a sewer of the Chamber. To be constable of Predecastell (Prudhoe Castle) upon the Tyne, Northumb., and keeper of the demesne lands thereto belonging, which Sir Thos. Percy, deceased, lately attainted, held of the King's gift. Westm. Palace, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 14.

8. Ric. Waller. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Ric. Waller, deceased. . . . . .* 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

9. Ric. Gylmyn, a yeoman of the Guard. Grant of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown from 26 Oct. last, *vice* Thomas ap Guillams, yeoman of the Chamber, deceased. Westm. Palace, 1 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 39, *and again p.* 5, *m.* 18. (*In English.*)

10. *Yorkshire.* Commission to Chr. Wandesford, Marmaduke Wyvell, Chr. Lassells, and John Vavasoure, to make inquisition on the lands and heir of Ric. Aldburgh. Westm., 3 Dec. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 3, *m.* 19*d.*

11. Ric. Manners. To be keeper of Notingham park, in as full manner as Adam Holland, late yeoman of the Guard, deceased, held the office. *Del.* Westm., 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 9.

12. Nic. Rudstone, one of the esquires of the Royal Body. To be steward of the lordship and manor of Hothome, Yorks., with an annuity of 20 marks. Westm. Palace, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

13. Ric. Yngworth, prior of Langley Regis. Appointment as suffragan of the see of Dover, Canterbury, dioc.; the said Richard having been nominated along with John Codnham, S.T.P., by Thos. abp. of Canterbury. Oteland, 7 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.*, Westm., 8 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 28.

14. Thos. Hawkyns, a yeoman of the Guard. Grant of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown, *vice* Anth. Saunders, deceased, *Del.* Westm., 9 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 18.

15. John Brikct, the King's head-cook. Annuity of 10*l.* for life, out of the customs of the ports of Exeter and Dertmouth. Westm. Palace, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

16. Sir Thos. Cheyne. Grant, in fee, of the site of the late monastery of St. Sexburgha, *alias* "le late Mynster," in the island of Sheppey, Kent, with all messuages, &c. in the said island thereto belonging; the manors of Sexburghe, Pistock and Mynster, Kent, and all lands, &c., now or any time within three years last past reputed parcel of said manors; all farms, &c. called Swale, Taylenasshe, Rede, Grymborugh and Willatthope *alias* Leasteledhope, in Rodmersham, Bredgarr, Millsted, Wormsell, Kyngsdowne, Iwade, Mynster and Haystowe *alias* Hallstowe, Kent, and the windmill of the said priory; the messuages, lands, &c. in Eastebrige in co. city of Canterbury; and all reversions, rents, and services reserved upon any leases made by Alice Cranmer the last prioress or any of her predecessors of the said manors, lands, &c.; with reservations of rectories and advowsons. The premises are of the annual value of 77*l.* 18*s.* 4¼*d.*, and came to the King's hands by virtue of the Act 27 Hen. VIII. To hold by a rent of 7*l.* 16*s.*

This grant is in exchange for the manors of Lighe and Barnegrange, Sussex, and lands, &c. in the parish of Iden, Sussex, and all lands, &c., now or within 20 years past reputed parcels or members of said manors; except the lands on the east side of a certain salt water called le Chanell leading from Rye, Sussex, to Appulldoure, Kent; which premises the said Sir Thomas granted to the King, 12 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

17. Rob. Suthwell, solicitor for the Court of Augmentations, and Margaret his wife. Grant, in fee (for 173*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*), of the reversion and annual rent of 40*l.* reserved upon a lease by Eliz. Sydney, the late prioress, and the convent of St. Mary Magdalene, Rousper, Sussex, now dissolved, to Thos. Sherley and Thos. Michell, 26 Oct. 26 Hen. VIII., of their monastery or priory of Rousper, the manor of Prestwoode, Suss., the meadows, lands, &c. called Barne mede, "le Estlandes," Stokefeld, Shakelwykefeld, Fernefelde, "Garden landes," and "Ketyll Reve," Baker's croftes, Bakehousefelds, Gilberts, Thollys pasture, and Rowmede, and a water-mill, in Rousper; the closes of land, crofts, &c., called Pykesfeld, Hewells, New landes, Rabelandes, Southmede, Millemede, Southlands, and Hethfelde, and a water-mill and three pitells of land, in Horseham, Sussex, and all other their manors, &c., in Rousper, Horseham, Ifeld, Warneham, Cowfeld, Cokfeld, Warnyngfeld, Slougham, Permanhurste, Herste, Rotyngdon, Brighthelmeston, Shoreham, and Merden, Sussex, and Nudgate, Charlewode, and Albery, Surrey, with the rectories and advowsons of Horseham, Ifeld and Warneham; for 60 years at 40*l.* rent. Annual value 40*l.*:—rent 4*l.* The grantees to have all, except the advowson

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of the parish church of Horseham, and to be exempt from payment of an annual pension of 100*s.* granted to the said Elizabeth by pat. 2 July 28 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 35.

18. Hen. Palmer, a lancer of Calais. To be surveyor and receiver of the lordship or manor of Henley in Ardern, Warw.; with 4*d.* a day, out of Henley, and the manors of Warwick, Kyngton, Morton, Lighterne, Claredon, and Barkeswell; in as full manner as Sir Edw. Belknapp, Sir Thos. Palmer, and Chr. Villers or any other enjoyed the said offices. On surrender, by the said Sir Thomas, of pat. 17 Mar. 27 Hen. VIII. granting the same to him and the said Christopher now deceased. *Del.* Westm., 13 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 14.

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19. Ric. Keys. To be a serjeant-at-arms, with 12*d.* a day, on the first vacancy by death, surrender, or forfeiture of any of the present holders, Will. Bartylmewe, Thos. Grenewaye, Will. Sabyne, John Ap Guyllyams, John Ap Richardes, and Rob. Merburye. *Del.* Westm., 13 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 36.

20. Ric. Williams *alias* Crumwell. Grant, in fee (for 1,700*l.*), of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following leases, viz.:—

(1.) By Robert, the abbot, and the convent of the suppressed monastery of St. Mary Sawtrey, Hunts., to dame Eliz. Audeley, widow of Sir John Audeley, 10 Nov. 24 Hen. VIII., of the manor of Narford with appurtenances in Narford, Swafham, Stowe, and Narburge, Norf., with their water-mill and a mill called the "Brigdmill" in Narford, a pond called "le Pole," a croft called "le Myll crofte," a piece of land near the house late "Adames" and another near the said mill; for 99 years; at 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent, payable on the 27 Oct. in the parish church of Swafham at the altar called "le Chauntrey Alter" between the hours of 8 and 11 a.m. (2.) By William the abbot and the convent aforesaid to Will. Symcote of Cotered, Herts, 10 Aug. 27 Hen. VIII., of the manor called "le Moynes" in Sawtrye, Hunts., for 41 years, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent. (3.) By Robert, the abbot, and the convent aforesaid, to John Launcell of Hamerton, Hunts., 26 Jan. A.D. 1531, 23 Hen. VIII., of the manor of Sawtrey called "le Olde Graunge;" with tithes, &c., in the parish of Sawtrey ———* Hunts., except tithes of persons dwelling in the said manor as servants and keepers thereof due to the sacristan of the said monastery, and a piece of land lying before the gate called "le Olde Graunge gate," viz., in "le Longe balke" to the cross called "le Stumpyd crosse," with the whole pasture whereon the said piece of land abuts, to the lower end thereof; for 69 years; at the annual rents following, viz.: for one year 13*l.*, for 18 years ensuing 13*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and for the 50 years remaining 20*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and, during the whole term, 40*s.* to the sacristan. (4.) By William, the abbot, and the convent aforesaid, to Ric. Boton of Stepull Giddyng, Hunts., 20 Mar. 25 Hen. VIII., of two closes of land or pasture in Sawtrey, Hunts., called "le Fenne close," *alias* Oxclose, and Botonsclose; with reservation of crab-trees, oaks, and ash-trees; for 31 years; at 3*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

Also grant to the said Richard, of the site, &c., and other possessions in Sawtrey and Sawtrey Juet "aforesaid" belonging to the same late monastery, viz.:—12 acres of arable land at Oxmondole and a piece of arable land at Olde Graunge, another at Stangate Way, and another called "le Myll pece," and 14½ acres of arable land in "Hollowe croftes," 18 a. at Stonydole, 36 a. called "Lambarts felds," 23 a. called "le Newe pece," 7 a. near Hawkyns close, 21 a. near Olde graunge, 14 a. near "le Fenne," 37 a. abutting on Lambarfeld, and 160 a. of pasture called "Lovecotelease and Busshes," 12 a. called "Cowe close," and 3 a. of meadow called Eswesmedowe, 22 a. called Newmedowe, 40 a. called Newclose, 4 a. called Grange crofte, 2 a. in Oxmandoles, 5 a. in a field abutting on Olde Graunge, the pasture of sheep at Stangateway, 3 a. of pasture called "le Russhes," 12 a. called Hollowestockland, 12 a. called Paddokbridge medowe, 12 a. called "le Mille close," 20 a. called Hyeclose, 10 a. called Busshye close, a house called Shepins and certain acres of pasture and marsh, with pasture for 20 cattle there, 26 a. of meadow in Lambertfeld and 14 a. of pasture called Halyday Fenne, 2 a. of pasture called "le Berneyard," 10 a. of marsh and 6 a. of pasture called "le Lyfte," 3 a. called Tanhousyard, the close and pasture called "le Grove and Holmes," 2 closes of land called "le Fysshousyerd and pounde," and 422 a. of wood in Sawtrey Juet; also the manor of Sawtrey Juet with the rectory and vicarage and advowson of the parish church and vicarage there; and the rectories, vicarages, and advowsons of the parish churches of Foulborne, Camb., and Hennyngham *alias* Honnyngham, Norf., with all messuages, lands, &c., belonging to the said rectories &c.; and all other manors, messuages, &c., in the vills, fields, &c., of Sawtrey, Sawtry Juet, Sawtrey Bemes, Sawtrey Monachorum, Sawtrey Moynes, Walton, Wodewalton, Huntyngdon, Magna Paxton, Parva Paxton, Sowtho, Offord Darcie, Offord Clunye, Dydyngton, Alconbury, Magna Stukeley, Parva Stukeley, Copemanford, Copyngford, Upton, Conyngton, Glatton, Holme, Hamerton, Elington, Catworth, Sainte Nedes (St. Neot's), Eynesbury,

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Abbottesley, Alversley, Magna Grannesden, Ripton, Ripton Regis, Rypton Abbatis, Grossham, Waresley, Yelynge, Wynwyke, and Toweslond, Hunts., Cambridge, Stowe, Borne, Fulborne, Dabram, Everton, Hungrye Hatteley, Cokynge Hateley, Esthatley, Berkeford, Westhorpe, Westhroppe (*sic.*), Yelynge and Gamlyngaye, Camb., Winwyke, Southwike and Fotheringaye, Northt., Holbeche, Herne and Lyne, Linc., Narford, Swafham Market, Stowe, Honnyngham, Narburghe and Lynne, Norf., Barkeford, Bareforde, Everton, Potton and Welden, Beds., and in the city of London, belonging to the said monastery. Annual value 143*l.*, rent 14*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* . . . . . .* *Del.* Westm., 16 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 30.

21. Roger Mydlewood, sergeant-at-arms. Annuity of 20*l.* for life. †15 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 36.

22. Bisham new foundation. Charter for the foundation (on the site of the late priory of Bisham *alias* Bisham Mountague, *alias* Bustelesham, Berks, now dissolved, granted to the King by William bp. of St. David's, late commendatory prior of the same, and the convent there by their charter dated 5 July 28 Hen. VIII.), of a new monastery to consist of one abbot and 13 monks of the Benedictine order, to pray for the good estate of the King and for the soul of the late Queen Consort Jane, &c., to be called King Henry the Eighth's new monastery of Holy Trinity of Bustelesham. John Cordrey, monk of the above order, to be the abbot. Also grant (in consideration that the said John Cordrey, late abbot and the convent of the late monastery of St. Peter, Chartesey, Surrey, by their charter dated 6 July 29 Hen. VIII., granted to the King their said monastery and all its possessions in England and Wales) of incorporation to the said new monastery, with the privilege to the abbot to wear a mitre like any other abbot of that order in England, and of the following possessions, viz.:—

(1.) Possessions of the late priory of Bisham :—

The manors of Bustlesham *alias* Bisham and Ives, Berks, Temple, Bulstrode, Crawltons and Ikford, Bucks, the grange of Echynswell, Hants, the mill in Great Marlowe, Bucks, and all those messuages, lands, &c., called Sondayes Wharffe uear Baynards Castell, London, the rectories (with tithes &c.) of Bisham, Berks, Westwycomb, Bucks, Curry Rivell, Somers, Kyngesclere, Oclee and Echynswell, Hants, and Shalflete in the Isle of Wight, Helmerton, Wilts, Mollesdale, Denbigh, and Stokenham, Devon; the annual pension of 10 marks issuing from the manor or hundred of Dulverton, Somers, which the priory of Taunton, Somers, used to pay to the priory of Bisham; and all other manors, messuages, &c., in Bissham, Ives, Coveham, Maydenhed, Bray and Cluer, Berks, Temple, Bulstrode, Crawltons, Ikford, Magna Marlowe, Parva Marlowe, Hegeley, Bekyngsfeld, Fulmer, Upton, Chalfounte, Wexam, Eyton, Marshe, Ellesborough, Chiddyngton, Obourne, Iver, Westwicombe and Chippyngwicombe, Bucks, Tryng, Tryngford, Penley and Bercampsted, Herts, the city of London, Hurdecotte, Curry Ryvell, Dulverton and Somerton, Somers, Kyngesclere, Echynswell, Sydnaunton, Oclee and Shalflete, Hants, Helmerton, Wilts, Mollesdale, Denbigh, and Stokenham, Devon, or elsewhere in England.

(2.) Possessions of the late abbey of Chertsey:—

The rectories of the parish churches of Chertesey, Thorpe, Egham, Chabham, Bokeham and Coveham, Surrey, Whyte Waltham, Berks, and Stanwell, Midd., and all messuages (with reservation of advowsons), and all tithes and annual pensions due to the said monastery from the churches of Effyngham, Chipsted, Ewell, Compton, Asshe, Weybridge, Bisteley, Fecham, Culsdon and Sutton, Surrey, and Hamptnet, Midd.; the messuage called Chertesey house near Powles Wharffe, London, and all possessions of the late monastery in London; the late priory of Cardigan, S. Wales (which belonged to Chertesey), with the rectory of Cardigan, and all possesions of the priory; the late priory of St. Mary Bechekilhart *alias* Bethelkellard, Carnarvon, Wales (which belonged to Chertesey), with all its possessions in Tresburth, Llandam, and Treberth, in co. Anglesea, Penarth, Penant, Delewethlond, Eberererighe, Llanvarisgar, Bethekilhart and Waythor, in co. Carnarvon, or elsewhere, and the rectories, vicarages and rights of patronage, of the churches, vicarages, chapels, and chantries of Bethkilhart, Llannyddan, Dologand *alias* Dologheland, Llanvaure, Llanveugle, Abberagh, and Buttus, in cos. Anglesea and Carnarvon.

Also grant of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following Crown leases, viz.:—

(1.) To Thos. More of the King's household, 10 May 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Medmenham, Bucks, and all lands, &c., thereto belonging, viz.:—28 acres of land in a great common field there, and a several field called Chersland, a close called Weybroks, a parcel of meadow in Charlemede, one acre of meadow and the meadow called "le Great Mede," a tenement with a garden at Hallywyks, a close of land there called "le Olde feld," fields there called Chappell feld, Fistell felde, and Horham feld, and three closes there called Up crofts, three closes called Rowe crofts, a close called "le Hill" two crofts there called "Bramell crofts," a close there called Dibden and one acre of meadow in Charlemede, one acre of meadow in "le Comen Mede," 5½ acres in "le West

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† No place mentioned.

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mede," a close called Westfeld close, and four "lez Yatts" in the water of Thames there with liberty of fishing and hawking there, and with pasture for six cows among the "lesnas" and cattle of lord Mountague and his tenants in his lordship there, six acres and one "le Butte" of land in "le Farre towne feld," four acres of land in "le Hither towne feld," four acres of land on "le Erth Pytte," six acres of arable land in "lez Stretts" there, a close of land called "Wyers crofte" in Bery Downe and Bery Dene, and a cottage in Medmenham now in the tenure of Roger Davy, a cottage there now in the tenure of Rob. Symons with a close of land thereto belonging in Bokmerfeld, a close of land called Watercrofte, another called Greys close, another called Wydefeld in "le Nether Longe Downe," a cottage in Medmenham with a close thereto belonging, a parcel of meadow in "le Grete mede" there late in the tenure of —— (*blank*) Tayler, widow, a cottage with a garden in Medmenham, late in the tenure of Ralph Purslowe, and a cottage with a garden and close of land in Medmenham, late in the tenure of Ric. Warnecotte; with all commons and liberties, &c.; with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 7*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*

(2.) To Eliz. Restwold, 15 Mar. 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Little Marlowe, Bucks, with the following lands, &c., thereto belonging, viz.:—An enclosure of pasture called Horsemore, a field called Lyneworth, a field of arable land called Welfeld, and certain other fields and lands called Colmerscrofte, Holley, Blakwell, Flacknam, Grete Flakwell, a field near the Thames called Sanhill, Longe Furlonge, Halfyarde, two acres of land in Westfeld, in the parish of Woburne, Woodbreche, Brodefeld, Shepcotefeld, Moufham, 20 acres of land lying in divers places, Knolles, 10 acres in Higher Land, 7 acres in Churchefeld, late in the tenure of Ralph Carter, three acres in the same field late in the tenure of Edw. Lustnam, the whole common, and four several or common fields in a wood called Shopriche; and the tithes in all the premises; also the rectory of Little Marlowe and the chapel of Cawlbroke, Bucks, belonging to the said late priory, with tithes, &c.; with reservations; for 21 years, at 16*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* rent.

(3.) To John Norres, 10 Nov. 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the late priory of Ankerwyke, Bucks, and the following lands, &c. thereto belonging, viz.:—A meadow or portion called Ankerwyke, a field of arable land called Hallfeld, with rocks and bushes in it, the meadows called Longmede, Goremede, Deymede, and Moremede, a field of arable land called Redyngfeld, and the herbage of a grove called Rewyke, with tithes of all the premises; with reservations; for 21 years, at 6*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* rent.

(4.) To Chr. Litcott, 10 May 29 Hen. VIII., of all tithes and oblations in the vills of Colsell, Bakley, Basyngwarke, Calcot, and Halywell, and an oblation in the chapel of St. Winifred, belonging to the late monastery of Basyngwarke, St. Asaph's dioc.; for 21 years, at 30*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* rent.

(5.) To John Pilston and John Ap Richard, serjeants-at-arms, 10 May 29 Hen. VIII., of the rectory (with tithes, &c.) of Eglos Rosse, belonging to the dissolved monastery of Conwey, St. Asaph's dioc.; for 21 years, at 18*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* rent.

(6.) To Richard Ap Robert Ap Rice, 27 April 29 Hen. VIII., of the rectories, &c., of the churches of Vaugh and Llan Patrike, belonging to the said late abbey of Conwey; for life or until the said Richard be promoted by the King to benefices worth 20*l.* a year, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

And all lands, &c. in Medmynham, Parva Marlowe, Mynchyn Marlowe, Hamelden, Hogely, Stoke, Barkyngfeld, Hedesore, Cabroke, Burneham, Taplawe, Wygon, Penne, Wenden near Weston, Turvile and Ankerwyke, Alderborne, Hardyngton, Hays, Greeneford, Stanwell, Perk, Wreysbury, Stanes, Egham, New Windesore, Old Wyndesore, and Bassyngbourne, in cos. Bucks, Berks, and Midd., and in Takeley, Essex, and in Canwykestrete and Fletestrete, London, and elsewhere in England, belonging to the said late priories or monasteries of Medmenham, Parva Marlowe *alias* Mynchyn Marlowe and Ankerwyke; and all those rectories, advowsons of the vicarages, &c., of parish churches of Conweye Ewilthi, Eglos Irose, Vaugh, and Llan patrik, Carnarvon, N. Wales, which belonged to Conweye; and Halywell, Flint, which belonged to Basyngwerke.

The premises are of the annual value of 66*l.* 14*s.* 9½*d.*,—to be held by the annual rent of 72*l.* 17*d.*, by way of tenth. Also exemption to the said abbot and convent from payment of tenths, and *hac vice* of first fruits—the bp. of Salisbury (being diocesan of the place) to have allowance made to him accordingly of the annual sum of 66*l.* 3*s.* 5¾*d.* as a tenth part of the premises. *Del.* . . . . . .*—S.B. (*two mems., mutilated*). *Pat.* (Westm. 18 Dec.) 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 4, *m.* 25.

23. Abbey of Osney. *Congé d'élire* to the prior and convent, on the death of the last abbot. Oteland, 22 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 18 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 31.

24. Thos. duke of Norfolk, earl marshal. Grant, in tail, of the site, soil, &c. of the dissolved nunnery of Bungay, Suff., the manors of Bungay called "le Priores Manour," Lymburn and Northales, Suff.;

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the advowsons and rectories of the churches of St. Mary's Bungay, Ilketishale St. John's, Ilketishale St. Laurence, Ilketishale St. Andrews, Ilketishale St. Margaret's, and Metyngham, Suff., Roughton and Redynghale, Norf., and the advowsons of the vicarages of the said churches, with all tithes, &c., thereto belonging; and all other manors, &c., in Bungay, Metyngham, Ilketishale St. John's, &c., Barsham, Weston, Ryngesfeld, South Elmeham, Metfeld, Fresyngfeld, Waybrod, Lymborn, and Northales, Suff., Aldebergh, Denton, Ersham, Elyngham, Dychyngham, Surlyngham, Shotisham, Brome, Roughton, Mowton, and Redynghale, Norf., and in the city of Norwich, belonging to the said late monastery. Annual value, 62*l.* 2*s.* 1½*d.*; rent, 6*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* *Del.* Westm., 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

25. Will. Lok, one of the gentlemen-ushers of the Chamber. Grant, in fee, of the tenement, with shops, &c., in which he now dwells in Hosyar lane *alias* Bowe lane, in the parish of St. Mary le Bow, London, which belonged to the dissolved priory or hospital of St. Mary de Elsyng, within Crepulgate, London, commonly called Elsyng Spittell. Annual value, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; rent, 13*s.* 4*d.* *Del.* Westm., 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

26. John Asshton, auditor of Crown lands. Grant, in tail, of an annual rent of 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, with 3*s.* 4*d.* increase, reserved upon a 21 years' lease of the messuage or manor of Haydon, parcel of Buckyngham's londs, Essex, granted to Thos. Wolff by pat. 10 July 18 Hen. VIII.; all woods, wards, marriages, &c., belonging to the said messuage or manor, which were reserved in the said lease; and the reversion of the said messuage or manor. *Del.* Westm., 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

27. John Arundel. Custody of the manors of Trewyghyn and Trenowth, Cornw., lately belonging to John Tregian, dec., during the minority of John Tregian, s. and h. of the said John; with the marriage and wardship of the said heir. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

28. Commissions of the Peace.

Kent: Thos. abp. of Canterbury, Sir Thos. Audeley, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Hen. marquis of Exeter, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Will. earl of Southampton, Sir Geo. Broke lord Cobham, Chr. Hales, M.R., Sir John Spelman, John Baker, Attorney-General, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir Thos. Wylloughby, Sir Thos. Cheyney, Sir Edw. Nevell, Sir John Dudley, Sir Alex. Culpeper, Sir Will. Crowmer, Sir Will. Fynche, Sir Edw. Ryngley, Sir Ric. Clemens, John Hales, Sir Will. Kempe, Sir Edw. Boveton, John Guldeford, Thos. Hatclyff, James Walsyngham, Anth. Seyntleger of Ulcombe, Will. Roper, Will. Waller, Will. Draper, Edw. Chwaytes, John Crowmer, Edw. Monyn, Thos. Darell of Skolney, Thos. Harlakyndon, Thos. Hardys, Anth. Sandys, Thos. Roydon, Will. Gooldwell, Walter Hendley, John Culpeper, James Hales, Thos. Wilford, Thos. Robertys, Thos. Dyggys, Thos. Moyle, John Natton of Upchurch, Thos. Wombewell, Will. Boyse, John Boyse, and John Bere. Westm., 21 Dec. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 4, *m.* 1*d.*

29. *Westmoreland:* Thos. Audeley, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. lord Crumwell, Ralph earl of Westmoreland, Hen. earl of Cumberland, Will. earl of Southampton, Chr. Jenney, serjeant-at-law, John Hynde, serjeant-at-law, Sir Thos. Clyfford, Sir Rob. Belyngham, Sir Thos. Tempest, Sir John Lowther, Sir Edw. Musgrave, Sir Thos. Warton, Rob. Bowes, Ric. Redmayn, Thos. Sandford, Lancelot Salkelde, Rouland Thorneborough, Geoff. Myddelton, Ambrose Myddelton, Thos. Musgrave, jun., John Warcop, John Lambert, Thos. Blenkynsop, Ric. Dubell, Gilbert Warton, and Ric. Bryggys. Westm., 21 Dec. *Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII.*, *p.* 4, *m.* 6*d.*

30. Thos. duke of Norfolk, earl marshal. Grant, in fee, of the cell, monastery, or priory of Castleacre; the site ground, &c., of the same; the manors of Westwalton, Walsokyn, Hecham, Castleacre Prioris, Kempston, Heryngsawe, Dykewood, Bagthorp, Barmer, Westrudham, Westbarsham, Monks Manor, Cysterne, and Massyngham Parva; the rectories and advowsons of the churches and vicarages of Walpole, Hecham, Toftrees, Methewold, Southcreke, Kempston, Castleacre, Newton, Wigenhall St. Mary Magdalene, Westbarsham, and Estbarsham; the advowsons of the churches Estlexham, Westlexham, Magna Dunham, Tatreset, Fyncham St. Michael, Byrlyngham St. Peter, Trunche, Fulmodeston, Westwalton, Gymmyngham, Old Linn, Marton, Shyrforthe, Woodrysyng, Letton, St. Peter in Thetford, Feltwell and Colneston, Norf., and all other manors, lordships, &c. in West Walton, Walton, Walpole, Walsokyn, Hecham, Castleacre, Kempston, Heringshall, Bagthorp, Magna Massingham, Westrudham, Harpeley, Parva Massingham, Farlegh, Gymmyngham, Methewold, Old Linn, Marton, Shyrford, Woodrysing, Letton, Thetford, Skulthorpe, Southcreke, Newton, Wyggenhall St. Mary Magdalene, Estbarsham, Marham, Rougham, Narford, Shuldham, Wereham, Bukton, Holkham, Wesenham, Houghton, Flytcham, Elsyng, Westlexham, Fyncham, Magna Dunham, Skernyng, Tytilshall, Grymston, Tatresett, Fulmodeston, Gresham, Northbarsham, Westbarsham, Wyssyngsett, Ketylson, Weston, Feltwell, Hillington, Gressenhall, Tompson, Cystrone, Norwich, Burnenam St. Albert, Norwolde, Terington, Roklond, Roklond Toftes, Burneham, Cley, Swaffham, Bryseley, Lenn Regis, Trunche, Bromeholme, Estlexham, Longham, Southacre, Bunwell, Shipdam, Trykestom, Otteringhith, Stanhowe,

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Wolterton, Itringham, Holt, Con gham, Hempsted, Plumsted, Fring, Toftes, Hilloughton, Rymerston, Parva Snorynge, Barnyngham, Fowldon, Stoke Fery, Wrotton, Fordeham, Helgay, Southray, Wyssey, Sheplode, Griswellake, Westlode, Estlode, Dunbyche, Wutton, Wykmer, Colneston, Overset, Netherset, Blakwell, Wodnorton, Hoo, Bytrynge, Syddestern, and elsewhere in Norfolk, belonging to the late priory of St. Pancras, Lewes, or to the said cell of Castleacre; which premises came to the King's hands by virtue of two fines, both levied on the morrow of St. Martin 29 Hen. VIII., the first between the King and Robert prior of St. Pancras, Lewes, and the second between the King and Thomas prior of the said cell of St. Mary Castelacre, and also by virtue of two deeds, the first by the said prior and convent of Lewes, dated 16 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., and the second by the said prior and convent of Castleacre, dated 22 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII.:—to hold by the annual rent of 44*l.* 19*s.* 0¾*d.* *Del.* Westm., 22 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 33.

31. Thos. Smythe. Licence to buy and export 300 tuns of beer. Westm. Palace, 18 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Dec.—P.S.

32. Commission of gaol delivery.

Fyssherton Anger Gaol, to be delivered at Ambresbury, Wilts. Sir John FitzJames, Sir Ric. Lyster, Sir Anth. Hungerford, John Bonham, John Erneley, Barth. Husey, Charles Bulkeley, Will. Button, and Ric. Woodcok. Westm., 22 Dec.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 19*d.*

33. Rob. Gibbes, one of the yeomen of the Guard. Grant of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown, *vice* Adam Holand, dec. *Del.* Westm., 23 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

34. Sir Anth. Browne and Alice his wife. Grant in survivorship (with remainder to the heirs male of the said Sir Anthony without impeachment of waste by the said Alice) of the reversion of the manors of Ponynges, Perching, Preston Ponynges, Pygden *alias* Pyngeden, Asshecombe, Walderne, and Chyntyng Ponynges, Sussex, and all messuages, cottages, &c., in the precincts thereof, and in Ponynges, Perchinge, Preston Ponynges, Pigden *alias* Pyngeden, Asshecombe, Walderne, Chyntyng Ponynges, Lewes, Albourne, Bolney, Twyneham, Wodmancote, Henfeld, Porselade, Fulkyn, Radmele, Alfriston, Suthover near Lewes, Hethfeld, Esthotheligh, Pycombe, Cokefeld, Balcombe, Perpoundesherst, Aberton, Westfirle, Falmer, and Seford, Sussex, formerly reputed members, parts or parcels of the said manors; with the reversions and rents reserved upon the following leases:—(1.) By Henry earl of Northumberland, dec., father of the last earl, 20 May, 15 Hen. VIII., to George Gyfford of Ponyngz, Sussex, of the manors of Ponynges and Perchyng, Suss., for 21 years at 56*l.* rent: which lease was confirmed and extended 5 years by charter of the last earl, 20 Nov., 19 Hen. VIII. (2.) By Henry last earl of Northumberland, dec., 13 Feb., 22 Hen. VIII., to Joan Everard, widow of Wm. Everard, of the manor of Chyntyng Poynynges, Suss., formerly in tenure of John Rotes, for 30 years at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent. (3.) By the same, 30 May, 19 Hen. VIII., to John Mychell, of the site of Pyngeden, Suss., which Ric. Bradford and Wm. Constable, farmers there, formerly held, and goods to the value of 72*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*, for 23 years at 30*l.* rent.

The premises came to the King's hands by a bargain and sale thereof made by the said Henry, last earl, to Sir Thos. Audeley, the Chancellor, Sir Thos. Cromewell, now lord Cromewell, keeper of the Privy Seal, Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, Chr. Hales, now Master of the Rolls, and Ric. Riche, now Sir Richard and chancellor of the Court of Augmentations, to the King's use, and by virtue of a fine levied before the justices at Westminster, Trin. 27 Hen. VIII., and by an Act 27 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 24 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

35. John Skotte, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Holme in Spaldyng More, York dioc., *vice* Rob. Bryges, deceased. Greenwich, 26 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

36. Cathedral church of Coventry. Congé d'élire to the sub-prior and convent, on the death of the last prior. Oteland, 22 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Dec.—P.S.

37. Edmund and Charles Foxe. Grant, in survivorship, of the reversion of the office of clerk of the Council in the Principality of S. and N. Wales, and in cos. Salop, Heref., Glouc., Worc., Chester, and Flint, and the Marches of Wales, now held by Thos. Hakluyt by virtue of pat. 16 June, 18 Hen. VIII.; in as full manner as the said Thomas, or Hen. Knyght, or any other, held the office; and of the reversion of the office of clerk of the Signet in the said principality and cos., now held by John Russell by virtue of pat. 16 June 18 Hen. VIII.; in as full manner as the said John, and Peter Newton, and Hen. Knyght have held the office. Greenwich, 27 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—*Del.* [Westm.]* 29 Dec. . . . . P.S.—*Pat.* 29 *Hen. VIII. p.* 4, *m.* 9.

38. John Horseley. To be steward, receiver, constable, and door-ward of the castle and lordship of Bamborogh, Nthld.,

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as enjoyed by Sir Thos. lord Darcy, lately attainted of high treason, now deceased, or Sir Will. Tyler, likewise deceased; with the fishing in the waters of Tweed belonging to the said castle and lordship. Greenwyche, 28 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—*Del.* Westm., 29 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

39. Thos. lord Crumwell, keeper of the Privy Seal. To be warden and chief justice itinerant of all forests, parks, chaces, and warrens in the North of England beyond the River Trent, and master of the hunt of deer in the said forests, &c., which offices are in the King's hands by the attainder of Thos. lord Darcy; with fees of 100*l.* a year. *Del.* Westm., 30 Dec., 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

40. Thos. Wriothesley. Grant, in fee simple, of the abbey of Tichefeld, Hants; the site, church, &c. of the same; the manors of Tychefeld, Abshot, Posbroke, Newecourt, Parva Fontley, Swanwike, Crofton, Mirabell, Neweland, Wallisworth, Portsey, Copnor, Wyker, Cadland, and Corhampton, Hants, and Ingepen, Berks; with the rectories and advowsons of the churches and vicarages of Tichefeld, Loomer, and Corhampton, Hants; with all possessions of the abbey in Tichefeld, Abshot, Posbroke, Newecourt, Parva Fontley, Swanwyke, Crofton, Myrabell, Neweland, Walisworth, Portsey, Copnor, Wiker, Cadlond, Corhampton, Wikeham, Warishassefeld, Sethage, Sarisbury, Southbroke, Quab, Pagham, Hoke, Whitelegh, Clowhill, Markes, Segynworth, Ward, Lee, Wydley, Porchistre, Fallegh, and Loomer, Hants, and Inkepen, Berks; to be held at 25*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* rent.

The premises came to the King's hands by virtue of a fine levied before the justices of the Common Pleas at Westminster in the quinzaine of St. Martin 29 Hen. VIII. whereby John bishop of Thetford, commendatory and abbot of the monastery of St. Mary, Tichefeld, Hants, granted to the King the aforesaid manors, &c., and rents, of pepper, corn, salt, &c., in Tichefeld Abshot, &c., above mentioned; and also by virtue of a certain deed inrolled in Chancery, 18 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., whereby the said abbot and convent of the said monastery granted to the King the site, &c., aforesaid, and all manors, &c., belonging to the said monastery in England. *Del.* Westm. 30 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1. *m.* 4.

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"*Ac etiam propterea quod si* [*Maj. vestra*]* *ineo s . . . . . ut uxorem sit ductura,* [*Cæsar*] *timens* [*ne Maj. vestra*] *uxorem ducat filiam* [*Regis Franciæ*]* *nihil* [*ei poterit*] *denegare.* [*Et Rex Franciæ*]* *omnia ei concedet* [*timens*] *ne* [*Maj. vestra*]* *consanguineam Cæsaris ac*[*cipiat in uxorem*] *; quod si* [*Maj. vestra*]* *se continurit*† *neque s . . . . . aut alio vinculo obstrinxerit ee . . . . . principe antequam ad veram inter o . . . . . pacem deveniatur perficiet quicqui*[*d*] *. . . . . sibique immortalem gloriam compa . . . . . .*

Jam duo menses sunt cum hanc cifaram misi ad dominum . . . . ."

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1313. THEOLOGY.

R. O.

Declaration by the King, with the assent of the two Houses of Parliament, "of the true understanding of certain texts of Scripture," (in opposition to the Roman view of those relating to St. Peter, &c.) commanding all his subjects not to affirm anything to the contrary, upon pain, &c.

Corrected draft, pp. 32. *Begins:* "The King, our Sovereign lord, intending as he hath begun."

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2. Another copy of the same, incorporating the corrections in the preceding, with some omissions and with a compendium of texts at the end, headed "A short titling of divers other texts of Scripture which would also be plainly declared and expounded by Parliament."

Pp. 18. *Endd.:* An Act of Parliament concerning the true understanding of Holy Scripture.

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* The words in brackets to which an asterisk is appended represent symbols of which the interpretation is conjectural.

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1314. MONASTERIES.

R. O. "The names of certain religious houses with the valuation of the same and such like." The values given are the gross value and net value as in the Valor Ecclesiasticus.

Beds.—Newenham, Elnestowe, Dunstable. *Bristol.*—St. Augustine's. *Camb.*—Ely, Thorney. *Linc.*—Croyland*, Spalding, Thorneton. *Carlisle.* St. Mary's Priory. *Hunts.*—Ramsey, St. Neots. *Durham.*—St. Cuthbert's. *Yorkshire.*—Selby, St. Mary's in York, Watton, St. Oswald de Nostel, Pontefract, Gisborn, Kirkstall, Melsa, Whitby. *Norfolk.* — Thetforde, *Northt.*—Peterborough. *London.*—St. Bartholomew's, given *in commendam* to the abbot of Waltham, Haliwell, the New Hospital without Bishopsgate,† Clerkenwell. *Midd.*—St. Peter's Westminster, Sion. *Essex.*—Berking, Waltham, Colchester. *Wilts.* — Malmesbury,* Ambrosbury. *Worc.* — Worcester Priory, Great Malvern, Evesham, Parshoore. *Somerset.* — Glastonbury.* *Warw.* — Nuneaton. *Berks.* — Reading. *Kent.* — Christchurch, Ledis,* Rochester.* *Salop.*—Shrewsbury,† [the name Wenlok inserted in another hand, but no values given]. *Glouc.*—Hayles,* Wynchcome,* Cirencester,* Tewkesbury,* St. Peter's Gloucester. *Richmond.*—Fountains. *Herts.* — St. Albans. *Staff.* — Burton-on-Trent. *Bucks.* — Missenden, Ashriche.‡ *Oxon.*—Godstowe, Osney, Thame. *Leic.*—Lawnda. *Hants.*—St. Swithin's,* St. Mary's Winchester,* Christchurch Twynham, Worwell. *Suff.*—Bury. *Surrey.*—Overey, Shene. *Cheshire.*—St. Werberge's. *Beds.*—Newenham, Dunstable.

Pp. 12. *Endorsed as above.*

R. O. 2. Another copy, omitting the following:—

Beds.—Elnestowe. *Camb.*—Ely. *Linc.*—Thorneton. *Carlisle.*—St. Mary's. *Durham.*—St. Cuthbert's. *Yorks.*—Gisborn (Charterhouses of Mountgrace and Hull‡ added). *Norf.* and *Northt.* *London.*—Haliwell, Clerkenwell. *Midd.*—St. Peter's, Westminster. *Essex.*—Waltham. *Worc.*—Worcester Priory. *Somers.*, *Warw.*, *Berks.*, and *Kent.* *Salop.*—Wenlok. *Glouc.*—St. Peter's. *Herts.* *Staff.* and *Oxon.*—Osney, Thame. *Hants.*—St. Swithin's. *Surr.*—Shene. *Cheshire* and *Beds.*

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1315. JEWELS.

Cott. Appx. xxviii. 27. "Certen jewelles of the Kinges highnes which be trussed and inclosed within a faire deske of wodde, maser colour."

B. M. A descriptive list of 27 items of gold chains, 7 items of gold "carkants," 9 elaborate gold broaches, 2 bracelets, 27 rings set with diamonds (several with the letters H. I.,§ two with H. A.,‖ and one with the word MOSTE engraved on them), 15 with rubies, 7 with turquoises, 5 with emeralds, 2 with sapphires, and 1 "like a signet with a rose graven in it."

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Cott. Appx. xxviii. 31. 2. "Certen riche jewelles of the Kynges highnes."

B. M. Jewels in 10 different boxes. Some having the letters H. A. upon them and one (a broach) having the letters R. A. in diamonds.

Pp. 9.

1316. COINAGE IN IRELAND.

R. O Order [or provision to be inserted in an Act] for payments to be made in Ireland after the rate of sterling money, as there is a corrupt coin

* Only the clear values of these are given. † Only the gross values given.
‡ No values given. § Henry—Jane [Seymour].
‖ Henry—Anne. One of these has the words "Domine ad adjuvandum me festina" about it.

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current in Leinster a third part under sterling value, and forbidding the currency of Irish coin from "the said day."

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Touching the coin of Ireland; *and in another hand, apparently later:* 1537.

1317. KILDARE'S LANDS.

R. O. Issues of the lands late of the earl of Kildare attainted in the time of Henry VIII.

In an Elizabethan hand, pp. 3. *Endd.:* 29 Hen. VIII. The earl of Kildare's revenue as it was answered unto the King then.

1318. IRELAND.

R. O. A scheme for the employment of the revenues of Ireland in the government of the same, setting forth that the revenues "as appeareth by the letters sent from the Council there," is 10,000 mks., and that order must be taken that rebels may be suppressed, the King recover part of what he has spent there, and a fund be laid up against emergencies. Fees of officers of the Crown: The Deputy, 500 mks. fee, 600 mks. for 60 horsemen, and 240*l.* for 60 footmen. Treasurer of the Exchequer, 200 mks. fee, and 400 mks. for 40 horsemen, and 80*l.* for 20 footmen. The Chancellor 400 mks. The Master of the Rolls and other officers of the Chancery to have among them 40*l.* yearly. The High Treasurer, 200 mks. The judges for their fees 200 mks.. and diets on circuit, 40*l.* Officers of the Exchequer, besides the Under Treasurer, 100*l.* Eight particular receivers, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each. Six auditors at 10*l.* yearly. Three King's serjeants, one at 20*l.* and two at 10*l.* The ward of Dublin Castle, 173*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; and six other garrisons to be established by the Commissioners and Council, 98*l.* each.

All revenues to be received by the Treasurer, accounted for before the Deputy, Chancellor, High Treasurer, and barons of the Exchequer, and deposited in Dublin Castle, each of the aforesaid parties having a key of the treasure chest. The Chancellor, High Treasurer, and Chief Justice, and Master of the Rolls to have authority monthly to muster the retinues of the Deputy and Treasurer.

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 5.

R. O. 2. A scale of payment for the garrisons of Dublin and of other castles, "whereof there may be six," in accordance with the preceding.

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1319. —— to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Understanding that it is the King's pleasure and yours to change the vice-treasurer of Calais, unless you mean to give it to one of your own servants, I beg that I may have the room, as Rob. Fowler now has it. I will give your Lordship 200 marks. My chief reason for wishing it is that I am married here, and for the King's service I may spend 100*l.* a year here and in England, besides my feats of merchandise.

P. 1. *Headed:* "1537."

1320. NICHOLAS AUSTEN, late Abbot of Rewley, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, trusting to give great diligence to study the Word of God sincerely. Desired Cromwell to have the reversion of a farm enrolled which he and the convent granted without collusion to his brother, the bearer, at the old rent. Hears that Mr. Lee is the hindrance.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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1321. NICHOLAS AUSTEN, late Abbot of Rewley, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks him to write in his favour to the bailiffs and burgesses of Burford of the Wolde for a grant of "a service called the Priory" in that town, of 11*l.* a year, the holder of which, one Mr. Cade, is very old and sickly. The town favours him because of his kindness shown to them in times past. His pension allows him to take any ecclesiastical dignity so that it pass not his pension.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1322. CHR. AYSSKEW to CROMWELL.

R. O. Since I was last with your Lordship at Moreclat (Mortlake?) I have been in such case that I could not, according to your Lordship's command, come up to you to know your pleasure in the poor suit I have to you. Try me to the uttermost, and if I have ever done anything contrary to you, let me die for it. Served the King with 24 men, mounted and armed, both at London, Hull, and with the duke of Norfolk in the North, without wages. It has cost me all I had. "I dyssyer off Kyngs Grays but xv*li.* a yere and the hows to dwyll in, wech ys a ferm I have off hys Grays, a lyttyll seell for the term off my lyeff, wherby I myght be abboll to sarraff hys Grays."

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1323. SIR JOHN BRYGGYS and GILES POLE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Upon your letters to us, and others, to examine, between the abbot of Malmsbury and Will. Lane, the matter which was contained in a bill of complaint enclosed within your said letters, we, accompanied by Sir Henry Long, sent warning to the abbot to meet us at Myntye, two miles from his house, and then appointed another day to meet at Pyrton, because he would make no other answer then but demand a copy of the bill. But he did not come that day either, and made feigned excuses, and has kept no appointment since. We hear the abbot claims Lane as his bondman, and if he be not so the abbot does the poor man great wrong. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal.

1324. ROBT. LEWYS, Mayor of Canterbury, to CROMWELL.

R. O. As to his letter for Krystover Levyns to be town clerk of Canterbury; the said Levyns was town clerk at the last election of the burgess for Parliament, and presumed and imagined to be burgess, contrary to the good order of the city. For this wilfulness he was dismissed and another admitted. By an ordinance of King Henry VII. no officers are to be put out of their room except for reasonable cause. Will however comply with Cromwell's request if he wishes.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1325. ALEXANDER CARVANELL to [the COUNCIL].

R. O. Petition, setting forth that being deputy to Peter Grysslyng, searcher of Trewrew, he attempted, in company with Jocham Cock and John Bartolome, to board the *Maudlyn* of Trewrew which left that port on 29 May, 29 Hen. VIII., bound for Lantregar in Brytayne, with a company of riotous persons feigning "a pope holy pilgrimage." Was knocked overboard, but entered the ship near St. Modys, where Richard Otes, master of the ship, with four of his mariners, was arrested by the Admiral's deputy. They refused, however, to allow their wares to be searched and carried Carvanell and his companions to sea. They put Cock and Bartolome overboard into their cock about five miles outside Falmouth haven, the

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wind being hard at north and carried Carvanell into Brittany, threatening to cast him overboard and tow him at the stern &c. At Lantregar they caused the Bretons to pick quarrels with him, shouldering and buffeting him as though he had been a Turk or a Saracen. Was there for 22 days till he was conveyed into England by means of Nic. Pentecost in the *Anne* of Hayleforth. Begs Cromwell to tender this matter or the King's officers cannot execute their office.

The names of the riotous persons are Sir Thos. Trebilcok, parish priest of St. Newlyn, Sir Ph.———* parish priest of St. Anne's, John Michell junr., of Trewrew, captain, Ric. Barrett merchant of Trewrew, Pascawe Trahar of Newlyn, Ric. Otes of Feweck, master of the ship, John Tradrack, Breton, *alias* Spycer, master's mate, John Loo, Breton, John Hoskyn of Trewrew, John Hewytt, Breton, Wm. Mathewe, Wm. Salpyn, Wm. Carselyke, with others to the number of 50.

Pp. 3. *Endd.*

1326. Richard Conquest to Cromwell.

R. O. Has now been prisoner in the Fleet four years and a quarter. Begs to be delivered, as Cromwell sent him word last vacation that he would be at this time. Sir John Alen has received 50*l.* from Edmund Conquest and is content to take it in part payment of the 100*l.* which the writer owes him, provided Mr. Treasurer will agree to this arrangement. If the laws judge that Conquest owes the King anything, there is sufficient to pay both his Grace and Sir John Alen. If the King pleases he may take Conquest's inheritance at its value. Desires that Edmund Conquest be sent immediately along with a sergeant or pursuivant at arms to pay the balance to Sir John Alen. In case of refusal, desires that the said Edmund be committed to ward for he has the money and has made great waste of the writer's woods, selling much and, as the writer is informed, intending to sell more after this time of Xmas unless Cromwell interferes.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

1327. Eliz. Constable† to Cromwell.

R. O. "My right honourable lord Privy Seal," if my matter stand with reason or conscience, let me come to your speech. I have not had a penny from my husband for two years and a half and none of my own kin will help me with penny nor penny's worth this 12 month. O good my lord! how should I live? Beg I cannot; loth and ashamed I am to be a harlot. "I have ben sossor handled with sohe dyssesses as yt hathe plessed God as your lordshepe shale kyno mor plan that I wrowet not but a smale thes xii monthe." If your lordship will get me my whole jointure of 100 marks, I freely give you the first farm, that is at Candlemas, 50 marks; if I have but half of my jointure I freely give you both Candlemas and Lammas; the farm of them both is but 50 marks. I hear Master Pollard has my evidences. I pray you command him, or whoever has them, to deliver them to me, for I have nothing else to show for myself, but those writings.

Hol. pp. 2.

1328. Giles Hewett, Yeoman, to Cromwell.

R. O. Petition. Has had the custody of the King's harness in the castle of Alnwick, Nthld., "upon a two hundreth Allmen revetts with splents and a hundreth saletts and above," this 6 year day, at 5 marks, and 2*s.* weekly board-wages, from the late earl of Northumberland; but since the earl's death, he can get no payment either for board or wages, to his utter beggaring, unless Cromwell will send down the King's command in writing,

* Blank in MS. † Wife of Sir Marmaduke Constable, Junior.

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1328. GILES HEWETT, Yeoman, to CROMWELL—*cont.*

to Cuthbert Carnaby, receiver, to pay the arrears due to the writer and to continue his fee.

P. 1. *Add. at the head:* Privy Seal, president of the Council. *Endd.:* Miles Huett.

1329. WILLIAM LUMBARD, Priest, to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. To certify you of that I shewed, in the King's Chamber, of the benefice in Sussex in the "geveyfft" of Mr. Harpissley. I suppose he dwelleth in South Ampton and did "geveyffe" it to a chaplain of my lord of Norfolk, whom I shewed you at the Coborde, with whom I have communed and he minds it little, as he has two others better. The town is called Thagam. I think you may have it if you speak in time and that my lord of Norfolk will do it, for he asked my lord my master to make no more business in it, so my lord has given it over; "but he must admit him that there shall be parson." If it please you to peruse my vowson and the copy for Morton, if you can get it of the King, you shall have Streham for that. 1537.

Hol., p 1. *Add.*

1330. RICHARD MORYSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Your Lordship seeth all my living in your liberality. Thanks to your bounty I have no cause to complain of fortune; and, whatever may hereafter befal me, my hope is in you. I have made long labour to your Lordship for William Clifton. He has a fair house in Norwich, that Mr. Litelprow gave him. He may have 300*l.* ready money for it, or 400*l.* at reasonable days; but would not sell it so soon. He has promised to give it me if I can obtain the loan of the King's money for him. He lacketh no sureties. If you would get him this money to get me this house, you should put me in such credit that, with a little more help, I might attain to a marriage worth two of the house. Or, if it seem meet, get him the money, give me your favour, and take the house yourself. 400*l.* is to be gotten and no man the worse.

Hol., English and Italian, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord of the Privy Seal.

1331. RUTGER OF NIMMIGEN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Petition for the restitution of his money from the searchers of Feversham. Mr. Gylbarde directed one of the King's officers of arms to cause them to come up, and they were as far as Gravesend when the lord Warden recalled them. Cannot continue here longer without money. His coming to this realm was only to pass home in safety, as Rob. Talor and Walter Talor, mariners of Estburne, Sussex, can testify, who brought him from Depe to Pemsy, where he landed, and immediately entered a ship to pass to his own country. Trusts only in Cromwell.

P. 1. *Add at head:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1332. E. DUCHESS OF NORFOLK to LORD STAFFORD.*

Titus B. I. 152. B. M. Wood's Letts. of Royal and Ill. Ladies, III. 190. His daughter Susan is in good health. Begs, if he send any of his daughters, he will send Dorothy, the youngest, with whom she is well acquainted. At Redborn. *Signed:* "By your power sister lovyeng, E. Norfolk."

P.S. in her own hand: "Brorder I pra you to sand me my ness Dorety†, by kass I kno har kon desess (conditions). Se sal not lake hass long hass

* The date of this letter is uncertain, but there is no reason for believing with Mrs. Green that it must be as late as Edward VI.'s reign. The signature is much of the same character as that of the same writer in Vol. VIII., No. 319, and the person addressed is called lord Stafford as early as 1531. The writer was sent to live by herself at Redborne in 1534. *See* Vol. VII., No. 1083.

† Dorothy Stafford, daughter of the person addressed.

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I leffe, and he (ye?) wold be hord (ordered) by me, hor haless I kyng he be hond kind (or else I think ye be unkind?) tha faless drab* and kouk and nat ben I had haden (?) har to my conffort."

P. 1. *Add.*: "To my loveyng brother my lord of Stafford." *Endd.* "The duchess of Norfolk's letter."

1333. Wm. Owen to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for his letters to the lord President for the restitution of his goods delivered in trust to John Herbert; but Wm. Herbert and Walter Parker, who are bound for the said John, will make no restitution. Complains of the President's conduct in making him take less than his due, as to a gelding taken by Walter Herbert to serve the King when the Northern men arose, in the case of a lease which Mr. Sulyard judged void, and other debts.

Asks Cromwell to write again to the President and to call before him John Waverley, goldsmith, to whom Owen is bound. The Herberts are trying to force him to sell his land in Wentisland where they rule, and he dare not walk at large for fear of them.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*: Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

1334. Sir Thos. Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Since he left Cromwell, has been in the country and taken leave of his friends. On his return the bearer and others have informed him of the mischievous and abominable words of one Henry Horforde (?). Has commanded them to inform Cromwell.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*: Lord Priry Seal. *Endd.*

1335. Pynnerus to Wriothesley.

R. O. A very adulatory letter addressed to Wriothesley as his Mæcenas, and asking for his patronage to obtain some educational appointment. Ends with a tetrastich.

Latin, pp. 2. *Add.*: Celeberrimo viro, Magistro Thomæ Wrysleio. *Endd.*: A letter to Mr. Wriothesley in Latin.

1336. Rafe Sadleyr to Cromwell.

R. O. A servant† whom he sent yesterday to London feeling somewhat evil at ease on his return and knowing that Sadleyr feared the plague which reigns in London and about, would not come home, but went to a neighbour's house, where he lies sick, of what all think is nothing but an ague. Whatever the diacase may be, he came not within Sadleyr's doors and was quite well when he sent him to London. Will not come to the King until he knows the truth. As the King gave him leave till this Saturday and loves not that any man should break day, has written to Mr. Hennege to make his excuse. Will know the certainty to-night or to-morrow, and will then repair to Court. Asks Cromwell to obtain for him from the bp. of London the keepership of Crundon‡ Park, in Essex, which one of the Herons, who held it, has forfeited. Desires to have the keeping of a park near London, both for the running of his geldings in winter and other commodities. Hackeney, Saturday morning.

The plague reigns in divers parts of London and in divers villages about, but Hackeney was never clearer.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*: Keeper of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Bess Holland.

† This cannot be Bold, (mentioned in Part II., No. 242) who was Cromwell's servant, not Sadler's; nor yet the servant referred to in No. 821. But the letter most probably belongs to the year 1537.

‡ Crondon, near Orsett.

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1337. ANTHONY SANDES to [CROMWELL].

R. O. "It may like and please your good Lordship to remember me your servant Antony Sondes." He and his ancestors have always had the farm of certain lands in Lyngfeld, Surrey, called Wilmott's lands, belonging to Battle Abbey, till of late George Tayllour, intending to have "the rule of the lands of the said Antony" has obtained a lease of them from the abbot and convent. Offers to pay 20*s.* a year for them.

P. 1. *Endd.*

1338. ROBERT SOWTHWELL to MR. SADLEYR.

R. O. I must, by the colour of mine office, reside in London the most part of 3 or 4 years. I have as yet no house there but my chamber at the Temple, a good mile from Mr. Chancellor's, so that in going thither and returning I spend a great part of the day. I desire you to obtain for me, from the King, a little house in Elsyngspytle within London, being but of the yearly rent of 6*l.*, "for the which a man shall be but slenderly housed in London," as ye know. As it is let, the redemption of the rent will stand me 30*l.*, besides the expense of 100 mks. to make it meet for me and my wife. I would gladly do this against this winter. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* gentleman of the Privy Chamber. *Endd.*

1339. ROBERT THOMSON, clk.,* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Was brought before Cromwell in Lent last for praying for the bishop of Rome, "at the compulsion of his parishioners, whom he durst not contrary," and committed to the Tower, and thence to the King's Bench. What with age, "corrupt and stinking smells," cold, and hunger, if not for the hope he had in Cromwell, he had not been alive now. Begs his intercession with the King.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. at head:* Lord Cromwell, lord of the Privy Seal.

1340. NICHOLAS [BP.] OF WATERFORD and WM. WALSH to CROMWELL.

R. O. Cromwell wrote to them to determine the matter between his servant David Shyeghan and Sir Alex. Gough, priest, of Joghil, for certain lands there; and they had sundry commissions in that behalf. Could find no proof of Shyeghan's title and awarded the lands to Gough. From Joghil. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1341. CHR. WATERHOUSE and THOMAS, his Brother, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Petition setting forth that they were novices professed in the monastery of Newsham, Linc., and, being both under 24 years of age, they were dismissed from their order when the monastery was suppressed. Their father, lately deceased, has left them land worth 24*s.* a year, and left their mother and the said Christopher his executors; but their half-brother, Roger Waterhouse of Bristwell, Yorks., clothworker, has taken the will and their inheritance of copyhold land, for which they are not permitted to pay the fine because they have been professed religious.

P. 1, *large paper. Add. at the head:* To the right hon. lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1342. SIR HUMFREY WYNGFELD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks his help concerning an attachment issued by Mr. Gostwick against him for his obligations to the late bp. of Norwich for 200 mks., for relief of

* The vicar of Brough. *See* Part I., Nos. 594 and 687 (2).

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which he has been a suitor to Cromwell. The bishop promised that when his nephew married Wingfield's daughter, he would leave them 1,000 mks., but he left nothing. This was showed by Redmayn to Mr. Ric. Southwell at the delivery to him of the obligations. Reminds him of the comfort he gave him when he made suit to him when he purchased the late John Smythe's lands in Norfolk from Mr. Rusche and Wyngfeld. Has lost half his living by his wife's death. If the King had not given him land, would have had to begin the world again.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1343. ——— to HARRY CRYCHE.*

R. O. "Mayster Hare Crych," I have spoken with Ralph Ivers since he came out of England; who said he had showed you what a life I led among my company. "I take God to my record I never deserved an unkindness to none of them. I thank God and you and the worshipful gentlewoman Mistress Margery, my lord and my lady hath be good to me ever sith I came to Calais." Tell Mrs. Margery I will be her true beadman while I live. Since I came to Calais there is gone from my lord and master above 16 gentlemen and yeomen. One of them was "yedyd" (beheaded?) for stealing and there are yet as shrewd a sort as anywhere in England. Because I would not keep them company at taverns and stews they said I was unfit to be among serving men. I beg, therefore, you will get me a clerkship in the King's works at Dover. I beg you will let me know how my father doth, and whether he holds any of his farms yet, for I hear he is like to be undone unless you and his friends help him. I have had no money from you since the old noble you sent by Master Housee.

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* He was clerk of the wardrobe to Anne Boleyn and presumably to Jane Seymour afterwards. *See* Vol. X., No. 913.

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APPENDIX.

A.D. 1537.

[In this Appendix cross references will be found to the documents contained in Appendix to Part I.]

1. SIR ROGER CHOLMLEY to CROMWELL.*

R. O. Your servant Richard Cholmley, my kinsman, rode, by my advice, to my lord of Rutland, desiring to be his deputy in the stewardship and receivership of Pykeryng and Pykerynglythe, like my uncle, his father, before him. He went twice, but could not see him as he had the ague, but at the one time young Sir Ralph Eury was there to make like suit for his father, Sir Wm. Evers, and was admitted to Rutland's presence and had such favourable answer that he thinks himself sure of it. By the answer of the said lord to Cholmley, on a third visit, this seems to be true, for he said the King had written to him in favour of another. Hopes this was a mere excuse. Young Evers wants to be his father's deputy, which would be very injurious, for he is very needy. His father is captain of Norham Castle, a more profitable office. Written this Sunday. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Jan. **2.** OUDART DU BIES to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have received your letter informing me that the 15 tuns of wine which you desire me to deliver to the bearer belong to you and two friends at Calais. I have accordingly delivered them. Boulogne, 13 Jan. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

25 Jan. **3.** JOHN SCHERE, Prior of Launceston, to CROMWELL.

R. O. One Richard Carlighan,† vicar of Stratton in Cornwall, and brother of one of my predecessors in the house of Launceston,‡ has had sundry affairs "of the houses" in his hands, craftily procured, to the impoverishment of the said house, as this right worshipful knight, Sir John Chamond, can instruct your honour. I beg that the said Sir John may have authority to examine the vicar upon certain interrogatories, which I pretend against him, sent herewith. Launceston, 25 January.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. wrongly:* A.° xxvij°.

[Jan.?] **4.** INSTRUCTIONS to the EARL OF SUSSEX.

See Part I. Appendix No. 1.

2 Feb. **5.** NORFOLK to the LORDS OF THE COUNCIL.

See Part I. Appendix No. 2.

3 Feb. **6.** JOHN SHERE, Prior of Launceston, to CROMWELL.

R. O. My old mortal enemy, Sir Wm. Genys, has most devilishly invented a lie against me, which, not to trouble you with long writing, I have desired Sir John Chamond and Mr. Ric. Powlerde to instruct you of, for the declaration of my innocence. Launceston, 3 February.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Written probably early in 1537, if not at the end of the year 1536.
† "Carlingham" in the endorsement; which appears to be wrong.
‡ A John Carlian is mentioned by Dugdale as prior of Launceston in 1507.

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7. ROBERT and JOHN OWYN to LORD LISLE.

On 14 Feb. we were commanded to bring the 12 pieces of ordnance that we made for the King to Westminster within the park, but in no wise the double cannon might not come there, for Master Harry* could not provide an axletree for it since May. We, perceiving that, found means to speak with my lord Privy Seal as he was coming from St. Jhamys (?) to the Court, and as his Lordship passed by the pieces, he spied the Master of the Ordnance and commanded him to send for the double cannon in any wise that the King might see it. "Notwithstanding, for all that, Master Harry had turned the Master of the Ordnance's mind, but Master Anthony would not consent thereto, but that it should be brought to the park with all the speed possible; and so it was, and on the 16th day the King's Grace with my lord of Suffolk (?), my lord Privy Seal, my lord Admiral, lord Bechame (?), with many other gentlemen came into the park [and] sawe the pieces, and his Grace liked them well, and so [did] the lords, and gave a piece better than we were worth. Then one of the lords asked what great piece that was, meaning by the double cannon." The King answered, it was a double cannon cast at Calais, liking it marvellous well. "And then we moved the King's Grace concerning the compleint (?) that Master Harry made. And then Master Harry denied it and said that he said no such words, but turned the matter after another fashion; but there were many that did shake their heads. And thus we cleared ourselves, and the King's Grace was very well pleased, of the which we are bounden to give your Lordship thanks, for it was done only by your Lordship's goodness."

We intend to be at Calais immediately after Easter.

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated and the writing much faded in some parts. Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

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8. SIR JAMES STRANGWAYS to CROMWELL.

Has received Cromwell's letter, dated London, 27 Jan. Perceives Cromwell is informed he has lands in Norfolk and Suffolk.† Has no lands in either shire, wherefore he is sorry he cannot accomplish Cromwell's pleasure. From my poor house, 19 Feb. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. wrongly:* Sir Giles Strangways.

22 Feb. **9.** QUEEN JANE SEYMOUR.

See Part I. Appendix No. 3.

24 Feb. Add. MS. 32,646, f. 97. B. M. Hamilton Papers,‡ No. 37.

10. JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

Received his letters in the beginning of January from his ambassadors here, who have never since visited James or desired an answer. Has sent the bearer, Johnie Tennent, "verlote of our chamber," to explain matters. Thanks him for the satisfaction he expresses at James' marriage. Would have pardoned Angus, at Henry's request, long ago, but for the weighty reasons he has often written. Compiegne, 24 Feb. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

* Harry Johnson.

† *See* Part I. No. 893.

‡ By an unfortunate oversight most of the Hamilton Papers of the year 1537 have been omitted in their proper places, but are noticed under their dates in this appendix. It should be noted, however, that letters 43 and 44 in Mr. Bain's publication, though endorsed (in a somewhat later hand) "1537," belong really to the year 1536. No. 43 is evidently concurrent with Henry's letter to James in Vol. X., No. 1111. No. 44 is noticed in Vol. XI., No. 112.

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24 Feb. **11.** QUEEN MARGARET to CROMWELL.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 95. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 36.

Begs him to favor the effect of her writing to the King in behalf of the bearer, the abbot of Melrose, and that he may have safe conduct to pass and repass. Edinburgh, 24 Feb. 1536. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Add.: Maister Crommell, my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Feb. **12.** THE REGENTS OF SCOTLAND to HENRY VIII.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 99. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 38.

On receipt of Henry's letters gave sharp commandment to the wardens that no aid should be given to English rebels and broken men within Scotland. Edinburgh, 26 Feb. *Signed:* Gawan Archebischop of Glasgw, Chancellar: Wilzem erll of Montros.

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* The Regents of Scotland.

7 March. **13.** THOMAS EVANCE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Enclosed is the complaint of the parishioners of Trinity Church, Gloucester, against their curate Sir Hugh Williams *alias* Rawlyns. He could void never a one but qualified some of them. I send this not to renew any matter against him (for since your Lordship restored him I offered him my letters to the abbot and mayor of Gloucester for his preferment, when he replied he should not need them), but to show there was more matter laid than he or his factors showed you. All the parish that be of reputation, except two, signed the bill. "This, my good Lord, moved me (meaning only quietness) to do more hastily than wisely," and I beg you will bear with me, for I am more bound to you than to all England besides. Worcester, 7 March.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 March. **14.** SIR JOHN PORTE to DR. LEIGH.

R. O.

The same day that Leigh's servant delivered the lord Privy Seal's letter to the master of Burton,* he sent to Mr. Ratliff, who advised him to follow the contents thereof, for he was fully minded to have gone up to London on Thursday last. The evening before, one Faunte, servant to my lord Privy Seal, willed him in no wise to appear, and comforted him that he could make means and friends for the discharge of his appearance. On the morning after he came up to London or else has ridden to my lord of Norfolk to obtain his letters to the King and others. Then the brethren will think "in tradde of time" to have free election again. They, and others, say to the master, "Stick to it and do not resign, we doubt not but this world will turn and not ever continue at this point." Spoke to him about resignation, to feel his mind, and told him he had better resign if Leigh had it given to him, for fear of causes of deprivation which Leigh had knowledge of in his visitation. He said he cared not though he did resign if the house did well, and he to have a poor living, for he was but old. Now Faunte and others have given him such counsel that he is of another mind and will not appear. If it is so Leigh must ask the lord Privy Seal for another quick and sharp letter ordering him to appear immediately. It can be laid to his charge that he keeps one Webster's wife and maintains her husband to pick quarrels against gentlemen, and that he published a transcript of a bull of the bp. of Rome "in town chapel out of his parish." If Cromwell knew what a papist he is, he would so inform the King that he should be no more head of any such house. 8 March.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* At Austen Freres in London.

* Burton Lazars.

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8 March. **15.** QUEEN MARGARET to HENRY VIII.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 109. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 39.

Since Mr. Sadalar's departure much progress has been made in her divorce suit against lord Meffen; 20 sufficient proofs have been made against him, and she only awaits sentence. Has got no answer about it from the King, her son, though she expected one after the departure of Henry's servant. Lord Meffen has appealed unjustly, and the bp. of St. Andrews defers sentence to enable Meffen to spend her living, declaring that the King, her son, will take her contrary part. Begs Henry to send a special servant to ascertain his mind towards her. The Queen, his wife, is to come to Scotland soon after Easter, and it will be a dishonour to him if his mother cannot have a final end. Hopes Henry will help her to obtain justice. 8 March.

Hol. Add. Endd.

9 April. **16.** EDMUND HASSELWOD to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O.

Mr. Popley and his house, being visited with sickness,* dare neither come nor send to my lord Privy Seal. He has therefore sent me a draft commission, according to my lord's instructions, for matters in variance between Bekwhyth and Acclam.† I beg he may be informed of my lord's pleasure therein, and the rather for the despatch of my poor brother-in-law, who must remain in durance till it be tried. "I would have waited upon you myself but that Mr. Soythwell and I ride forth a towne this morning." 9 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the Right Worshipful Mr. Wrysley, Esq., at St. James's. *Endd.*

17. WM. ACCLOME to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Petition, asking that the commissioners appointed to examine the matter between him and Leonard Bekwith may hear his witnesses as well as those of his adversary, and that he may be licensed to leave the Fleet prison to prepare evidence.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 April. **18.** G. ARCHBISHOP OF GLASGOW, Chancellor of Scotland, to NORFOLK.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 100. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 40.

Has received his letters, dated Newcastle, 7 April, addressed to the Regents, requesting the delivery of certain English rebels received in Scotland, especially in Jedburgh abbey. Reminds him of the sharp order they gave against recepting rebels when he wrote before. Will go to Edinburgh, and, with the advice of the other Regents, call before them the abbot of Jedburgh and others having the rule in those parts, and punish anyone in fault. Glasgow, 11 April. *Signed.*

Sealed. Add.: Lieutenant of the North parts of England. *Endd.:* Shrifhoton, xvij Aprilis.

[After 14 April.] **19.** HENRY RAY'S MISSION.

Add. MS. 32,646, f. 102. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 41.

"The answer of me, Henry Ray, pursuivant of Berwick, to the articles of mine instructions in my repairing towards Scotland for the delivery of my lord of Norfolk's letter to the Regents there."

1. On receipt of the letters and instructions repaired to Edinburgh, where he found none of the Council except the bp. of Aberdeen, Treasurer of Scotland, and Mr. Adam Otterburne. Was told that the Chancellor was at Glasgow, but the Treasurer promised to send on the letters to him.

* *See* Part I., No. 875. † *See* Part I., No. 1163.

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19. HENRY RAY'S MISSION—*cont.*

Thought the Treasurer suspected him of desiring to speak with the Queen or to get knowledge of the muster which they made in Stirlingshire, 10 April. Dined on the 9th with the Treasurer, who asked him the news in England about the insurrection. Said the realm was never in better order. The Treasurer regretted that so many Christian men had been put down, and asked what ships were sent to sea. Ray said he knew of none.

2. Declared to the Treasurer the 2nd article, touching the quietness of the realm, the assembly of the prelates, the King's repair to York, the Queen's being with child and the people's joy at it; all which he was glad of, and said he would pray for the King and realm of England "that ye may be good men." Ray replied, they were good already.

3. Declared also the 3rd article, "touching war, at the coming home of their King, spoken by the Borderers." He said no doubt they would be to blame in that case.

4. The commons of Scotland say we have sent ships to sea to take their King, and that if they find Henry in league with the Emperor against the French king, they will make war on us, calling us heretics.

5. New money is already paid at 2*s.* 3*d.* the crown, landed men and merchants only, without any rebellion. The lords were not beyond Fife except lord Maxwell, "for what purpose I know not."

6. Has accomplished all the contents of the last article. They say, and, Ray believes, think, that they are able to withstand us or any other. They are suspicious of Norfolk's lying in the North so long, and the putting of the King's ships to sea. Spoke with friends of Angus and one friend of the captain of Berwick, who said that the Admiral of France's deputy and the earl of Murray would come to Scotland by the East seas and the King with a ship or two by the West.

All the lords and other gentlemen of Scotland and the queen of Scots were at Edinburgh on Saturday, 14 April, "to consult upon their matters." *Signed:* Herre Roye, porsewant at Barweck.

Endd.

22 April. R. O. **20.** SIR NIC. WADHAM to CROMWELL.

Performed the contents of Cromwell's letter sent to him by his son John Wadham, Cromwell's servant, when the business was in the North. Thanks him for his goodness to his said son. Meryfeld, 22 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 April. Add. MS. 32,646, f. 104. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 42. **21.** QUEEN MARGARET to CROMWELL.

Is writing to the King for answer of her letter by Mr. Sadler, as the return home of her son is near at hand. Hopes the King will help her for his honour and her own. Edinburgh, 24 April 1537. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

[28 April?] R. O. **22.** WM. LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

I thank you for your frequent news. What news I have, except from you, is quite uncertain. As soon as I have received all my pieces, I will send Walter James to your lordship, and indent with you. Guisnes, this Saturday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais. *Endd.*

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2 May. **23.** Sir Chr. Mores to Lord Lisle.

R. O. In behalf of Edmund Cockerell, to whom the King granted, by signed bill, the reversion of the room of one of the soldiers at Calais, at 8*d.* a day. Understands there is such a room now void. London, 2 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

4 May. **24.** Sir Nic. Wadham to Cromwell.

R. O. His answers to his previous letters give him confidence that he will speak to the King for some reward for him, his old faithful and true servant. Desires credence for the bearer. Meriffeld, 4 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[6 May?] **25.** Sir Thomas Palmer to Cromwell.

See Part I. Appendix No. 4.

— May. **26.** M. B. to [Cromwell].

R. O. I have had no opportunity, since being at the Rolls, of thanking your Lordship for your goodness, renewed, as I understand, by my dear friend, in writing for us to my father; and as I cannot abide your uncertain coming hither to the Court (and the uncertainty of my getting speech of you there) I take the way of this rude bill to thank you. If I did not trust in you I would soon tire of life to find my father no better to me than he is. This is due to hardness, the common fault of age; I beg you will not think him ill-disposed to you or your servant. "Whosoever had been likewise author or party (my mother, taken to God's mercy, that was wont in such matters best to persuade him) should doubtless have found him the same man." Till he saw that money was likely to be demanded he favoured Mr. T., both for your sake and his own qualities, as much as any son-in-law he ever had. More than one or two of his letters say as much, though now he objects to your servant's lack of lands and living, of which I despair nothing so long as you are inclined and able to do for him. As he whom my heart resteth upon regards you more as a father than a master I will ever as one body with him bear a daughter's affection to you. Hampton Court, ——* May. *Signed:* "Your lordship's most bounden handmaid, M.B."

Hol., pp. 2.

5 June. **27.** Sir John Brodwen, Priest, to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. "Master, yesterday at 4 o'clock afternoon they set out of Dornam a great band of Burgoneons to the number of 2,000," and brought with them to lay to the castle of Carsacre 2 double curtals and 9 other great guns. And there they be all this night about Owtynges and Carsacre making great fires; and this morning they are making great holes in the church walls of Loche, to lay their ordnance to the castle. At five this morning they began to shoot three great pieces. This night 4,000 or 5,000 Burgundians lay at Elsk in camp, blowing their trumpets and making great fires. This morning they are coming towards the castles about Arde to beat them down. They are goodly men "as ever I see." I was amongst them last night and they made me good cheer and said it would be peace within eight days. Balyngehem, 5 June, at 5 a.m.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

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[23 June.] **28.** HERRY POLSTED to CROMWELL.

R. O. "The comen vulgarr" is that the term shall be adjourned upon Monday, and if so the matter between Cromwell and old Sir Wm. Gascoigne is not like to take effect before next term. Young Sir Wm. Gascoigne says his brother Sir Henry will not fail to be here on Wednesday next, and old Sir William's servant will probably be here by the same time. Advises Cromwell to get the adjournment stayed till Thursday that all things may take effect according to his long delayed purpose. Will go through with the recovery when Sir Henry comes if the term hold. Thursday, moreover, will suit poor suitors better, because upon Wednesday is "the day of return of *Octabis Johannis*." Sends two "bridgements," made by Polsted and his brother, of the writings between lord Latymer and Sir Fras. Bygod. The Rolls, Saturday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord my master. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. "Articles as well of the covenants of marriage as of divers bargains, sales, and leases had and made between the lord Latymer and Sir Francis Bygod," as shown by indentures of 26 & 27 Hen. VIII. for a marriage between Ralph Bigod or any other son and heir apparent of Sir Francis and Margaret daughter of lord Latimer.

Pp. 5. *In the same hand as the preceding.*

4 July. **29.** NUNNERY OF NEASHAM.

Letters patent of exemption from suppression, to the priory of St. Mary of Nesham—Johanna Lawson, prioress.

In possession of Sir John Lawson, Bart., of Brough Hall, Yorks.
See Rep. III. of Hist. MSS. Commission, p. 256.

13 July. **30.** JOHN GRAYNFYLD to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Begs his compassion for a poor man who has exhibited to my lord Privy Seal a bill of complaint against Walter Portland the pursuivant, who in conjuction with John Sydnham turned the complainant out of a lease that Portland had granted him. Out of fear of a process Portland served him with a privy seal to appear in the Court of Augmentation, as he confessed before Roo, the serjeant, and Wm. Symonds of Exeter, with a promise of restoration. Begs him to help the complainant to my lord's letter for that object. Kensington, 13 July.

P. 1. *Add.:* To Mr. Wyrsley, one of the clerks of the Signet this be delivered at the Court.

14 July. **31.** SIR WM. PARRE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Upon the King's letters of the 27th ult. and Cromwell's of the 26th, met Sir Thomas Wentworth and accompanied him to Lincoln, where Hussey was delivered to the duke of Suffolk. Went thence with Constable and Aske to Hull and delivered them by the duke of Norfolk's order to Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun., Sir John Constable, Sir Chr. Hilliarde, and the mayor of Hull. At the execution of Constable, my lord of Norfolk showed me he was as much bound to your lordship as ever nobleman could be to another. I answered that I had heard and partly knew how willing you were to further him and his. He replied, "Sir William, no man can report more than I know already, for I have found such assured goodness in him to me, that I never proved the like in any friend before; and therefore myself and all mine shall be, as long as I live, as ready to do him pleasure as any kinsman he hath." Yesternight I received from Dr. Hall of Huntingdon a letter showing that you had ordered him to sell all Hussey's goods and chattels,

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save such as are meet for the King's own use. As he and I were joint commissioners chargeable therewith "and he now sole to make sale thereof" I beg to know whether I shall meddle further therein; as also what to do with the persons whom I committed to ward for the late riot at Lincoln. Grantham, 14 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[July ?] **32.** JAMES HYLL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has been imprisoned* by his creditors, having imprudently spent much money and got into debt. Trusts in Cromwell as another father, and hopes he will counteract ill reports made of him to the king on account of his absence from Court; also that he will comfort his poor father and mother who are much troubled on his account.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[July ?] **33.** THE BISHOP'S BOOK.

R. O. "The archbishops and bishops of England, to all and singular the King's highness' loving faithful and obedient subjects, greeting."

Inc.: "We may most rejoice for many things, but in especial for these two."

Refers to a book wherein "we spake long sithence," of baptism, penance, and the eucharist, and their purpose now to speak of the other four.

Ends: "Such bishops as no less desire your wealth and profit than his Grace doth."

Pp. 5. *In Morison's hand.*

11 Aug. **34.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Thank my lady for her birds and other kind remembrances. I desire your favor for the bearer Cockerell, an old servant of the King's, to whom his Highness has granted a room of 8*d.* a day in Calais, when any is void. I understand there is now a vacancy. He is a good gunner and smith. Guysnes, 11 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

[End of Aug. ?] **35.** RICHARD GRAFTON to [CROMWELL].

Cleop, E. v. 325. B. M. Strype's Cranmer, App. xx. 1537:—According to your lordship's commission, by your servant, I have sent you certain bibles and beg you to accept them as well done. Where I wrote to your Lordship for a privy seal as a defence against the enemies of this bible, and you thought it unnecessary; this work has cost us 500*l.* and I have printed and booked 1,500 copies, but now others are printing the same work in a lesser letter, intending to sell their little books cheaper than I can sell my great, and so prevent my selling any. Will by this be undone, and so will his creditors who have assisted him. Those who are printing this new copy from his will falsify the text; for they do it not for God's glory but covetousness. Dutchmen dwelling here who can neither write nor speak good English are printing it, and to save 20*l.* or 40*l.* to a learned man to oversee it, will issue it full of errors. Desires the King's privilege that none shall print them till these be sold, which shall not be this three year, and will "consider" Cromwell's favour, and doubtless so will my lord of Canterbury and other friends, and God "will look upon your merciful heart that considereth the undoing of a poor young man;" for truly his whole living depends on it. Desires that, as this goes abroad with the King's licence and is the pure Word of God, Cromwell will command every curate

* See Part II., Nos. 256, 285, 576.

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35. Richard Grafton to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

to have one. Every abbey should have six set in different places for the convent and resorters to read. Would have none but the papistical sort compelled to have them, and then there would be enough in my lord of London's diocese "to spend away a great part of them." A very small commission to my lords of Canterbury, Salisbury, and Worcester would cause it to be done in their dioceses. It would terminate the schism that is in the realm, some calling themselves of the Old and some of the New; for now should we all follow one God, one book, and one learning. Begs answer by his servant the bearer. Would come himself, but the sickness is about them; "and because of coming to your Lordship I have not suffered my servant with me since he came over."

Hol., pp. 2.

[Aug. ?] **36.** John, Bishop of Bath, to Cromwell.

Harl. MS. 283, f. 160. B. M.

I beg you to be my good lord and not suffer any stranger "to see my book except it be my lord of Harford or Chichester, for it is but a rude thing. I beseech your good lordship also to help with your favourable report to the King's Highness, whom to have thus displeased I am the most sorriest man living."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

37. "The Institution of a Christian Man."

Royal injunctions* that the clergy shall read and declare openly in their several parishes the treatise "devised by us" called "The Institution of a Christian Man" for better instruction in the faith and the sacraments.

Inc.: "Item, for as much as it is very necessary that all persons which shall receive this holy sacrament of the altar."

Explicit: The necessary rules of his profession.

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[Sept.] **38.** Certain Portuguese to Cromwell.

Vesp. C. xiii. 253. B. M.

Agreed with Capt. Ric. Hor to convey them from Lisbon to London, but he took them to Cardiff† and would not let them land till he had extorted money from them and examined all their luggage. Were obliged to give him bonds for 1,000 cr., besides 140 cr. already paid for their passage. These, as procured by fear, are invalid. The usual charge for a passage to England or Flanders is 6 or 7 cr. Give many references to legal authorities in support of their petition for a return of the bonds and the expenses incurred in coming to London. *Signed:* Franciscus: Jorje Lopez: Cairs Ruiz (?).

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.* The supplication of some Novos Christianos.

[Sept. ?] **39.** Ric. Deryng to Cromwell.

R. O.

Thanks him for offering him the comptrollership of the King's works at Dover, as he is informed by Antony Auchar. Will be glad to take it.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Sept. **40.** Antony Knyvet to Cromwell.

R. O.

Begs favour for the bearer who, with many others of his "parys-chyngs" and others of Staffordshire, is vexed by one Doctor Dyngley.‡ Begs

* Though fair written it is probable that this paper is only a draft, as there is no appearance that such injunctions were ever issued.

† *See* Part II., No. 640.

‡ Roger Dyngley, D.D. *See* Valor Eccl. III. 103, and IV. 269.

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him to send for Dyngley and command him to let these poor men live in quiet. There are other things to examine Dyngley of, as concerning the bp. of Rome. Dyngley's "portes" was delivered to Cromwell at Windsor, with a bill of other complaints. Hampton Court, 20 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Sept. R. O. **41.** CROMWELL to DR. DINGLEY.

Orders him immediately to appear before Cromwell and the rest of the Council. Stepney, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Lord Privy Seal.

[Beginning of Oct. ?] R. O. **42.** HUMPHREY BROWN to WRIOTHESLEY.

I beg you with the help of Mr. Pollarde to move my lord Privy Seal for his favour that I may not be "hindered" to my Prince by back friends. If I have not done my duty to my lord by waiting on him "a certain times," it shall be otherwise hereafter. "I speak now to this intent to have no office of justice,* for it would be to me great loss, what of my fees and daily gain," but only for his favour.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Right worshipful Mr. Wrythesley. *Endd.:* Humph. Brown to Mr. Wrioth.

1 Oct. R. O. **43.** WILLIAM BOSTON, Abbot of Westminster, to ANTHONY DENNY.

"Good Mr. Deney," as certain persons examined by you and me, by my lord Privy Seal's command, 29 Sept., say one Kendall reported to them that he and one Robert Sharpe showed me of slanderous words William Webb should speak by the King. The truth is that about All Hallowmas or Christmas last they came and desired me to restore Sharpe to an office he occupied in my garners at Westm. which I had taken from him for negligence and given to William Webb. When they saw they could not obtain their purpose they fell to great crackings and threatenings of me and Webb, so that I said, "Sirs, if ye have any other thing to say now unto me than this, I will gladly hear you, but as for the bestowing of my office, I am at a point therewith. Content yourselves." Then, after more words, Sharpe said, this man (meaning Webb) reported that as he rode on a good gelding with a fair gentlewoman behind him, the King met him and said, "Whom hast thou behind thee there, Webb?" and he answered, "A friend of mine, an it like your Grace." With that the King stepped to her and plucked down her muffler and kissed her, saying, "Well, Webb, thou art never without such fair stuff about thee, but we will give her a gown of damask for thy sake, and see she have it." That is the worst that Sharpe reported to me, and after he had said it Webb said, "Fye upon you! false wretches both; ye falsely lie upon me," and more. This messenger can declare more. Westm., 1 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

[Early in Oct.] R. O. **44.** RAFE SADLEYR to CROMWELL.

Has received his letter. Sends lord Shrewsbury's bill signed by the King.† Thanked the King, on Cromwell's behalf, for the commodity he has lent him in his houses of the Nete and St. James, for else he could not tell how to have shifted, as they begin now to die fast about the Rolls. The King said he might use both houses, as he liked, and both being near Westminster they would serve his purpose. To-day the King has taken

* This probably refers to the proposal for his promotion in Part II., No. 805.
† *See* Pt. II. No. 1008(9).

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44. RAFE SADLEYR to CROMWELL—*cont.*

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[11 Nov. ?] **45.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Send Mr. Pollarde and Polsted "to meet me on Tuesday, at night, at Reygate,* and I doubt not ye will send with them the resignation made in the best sort." Also show the King of my going thither, and appoint your nephew to ride with me from Windsor. "In haste this morning at Hampton Court."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[11 Nov. ?] **46.** SIR JOHN BRYGGYS to CROMWELL.

R. O. I received, on Sunday night, your most comfortable letter to be on Monday† at the Court "within little of a C mile from me, and unprovided, which were onpossybell." I therefore beg your Lordship to make my excuse. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[— Nov. ?] **47.** SIR THOMAS PALMER to [CROMWELL].

R. O. "Please it your good lordship," I send such news‡ as I have. My lord Deputy and I have found much truth in "his" advertisements. Remember my long suit. I have spent all I have and laid my chain to gage, "and yet have I lost my hearing, which grieves me more than all my poverty."

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† Probably to be at the funeral of Jane Seymour, on Monday, 12 November. The writer had been already at the christening of prince Edward on the 15th October (Pt. II., 911 ii.), but his name does not occur in the list of those who attended the funeral (*see* No. 1060).

‡ Possibly the anonymous letter of 1 Nov., Pt. II., No. 1014.

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(In the numbering of the lines in these references headings are always excep ted.)

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6, pp. 6, 7, 8, "Duke and Earls." The earls seem to have been Shrewsbury, Rutland, and Huntingdon.

35. The handwriting is of a later date.

77, l. 2. *Dele* the comma before and after Dierick. "Graeuwe Dierick" is one name.

122, last line, for "Lo del Infante honorata" read "Lo del Infante. Honorato." Honorato, the French ambassador in Portugal, had given offence to the Emperor.

183. This is a duplicate of No. 170, but dated on the following day, and a postscript added.

201, p. 95, l. 15, for "murder me" read "murder men."

207. This letter must have been written much later in the year than the place in which it appears, though St. Jaille is not, as we might have expected, called *late* master. *See* No. 1103 (28).

296, l. 1, for "about" read "by."

302, p. 136, l. 5, "demesnes and cloisters." The first word is written "dem'nes" which seems intended for "demesnes"; but in App. 1 the reading is "dennes."

319, ll. 3, 4, "the two deputies"; *i.e.*, Evers and Widdrington.

353, l. 9, "the Garethes"; *i.e.*, lord Thomas Fitzgerald and his uncles.

354, l. 2, for "Kent" read "Kene." (*See* Kyne in index). The name, as written in this letter, would be read "Kent" by anyone at the first glance.

380, p. 177, third line from bottom, "three persons"; *i.e.*, Milsent, Bellow, and Parker. *See* p. 175.

393, p. 194, l. 2 from bottom, "a little nunnery," viz., Hampall.

533. From the expression at the end of this letter alluding to the writer's having taken the sacrament on the previous day, it was probably written on Easter Monday, 2 April.

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534, l. 3, for "Treasury" read "Treasurer."

584. This document ought not to have been numbered separately, being an enclosure in No. 583, and written in Nov. 1536.

602. In the heading strike out "Sir" before "T. Seymour," as he was not knighted until October following.

636, l. 7, "two noblemen." They were the earls of Westmoreland and Rutland. *See* No. 667.

637, p. 285, l. 19, after "has" supply "no."

648. *Qu.* if "March" in the date of this letter be not a clerical error for "May"? It seems to refer to Wyatt's arrival in Spain.

687, l. 3, "W. Burkbeyke." The writer seems to have intended T. Burkbeyke. *See* p. 302.

708, margin, for "B. M." read "R. O."

795 (16), l. 7. Insert comma between "Mora" and "Trelege."

806 (5). The sub-number of course should be 2.

812, l. 3, "the bp.'s man"; *i.e.*, bishop Gardiner's.

946 (2), p. 431, l. 9, for "Sir" read "the said."

977, in heading, for "Thos. Colyns" read "Robert Colyns."

1026, heading, insert "Sir" before "John Lowther."

1026, at end for "*Wriothesley*" read "*Derby*."

1026, at end, strike out the parenthesis "(*probably Elizabethan*)."

1068, l. 22. For "marche" read "Marche." No doubt William Marche is intended.

1077, l. 4 from the end, for "P. Barnewall" read "J. Barnewall."

1091, l. 9, "Pridhowarke." So written as one name in the MS., but perhaps an error for "Pridho, Warke."

1098. Add at the end, *P.* 1.

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1115. This letter is printed in the "Correspondence of Edward Third Earl of Derby" just issued by the Chetham Society, p. 130 (edited by Prof. Toller), and it appears that the punctuation of the abstract (taken from the Hist. MSS. Report) is wrong. A new sentence should begin with the first word on the second line: — "According to appointment with the earl of Sussex, he (Derby)," &c.

1121, in heading, supply "to CROMWELL."

1194 (2), l. 7 from end, for "Sir John Horner" read "Sir John Seyntlow."

1199 (4), l. 9, for "Walthawstow" read "Walthamstow."

1203, l. 3, for "daughter" read "daughters."

1214 (2), l. 7 from bottom, "he and Annes Burton," for "he" read "she."

1235, at bottom, for "Sir Francis Knight" read "Sir Francis Brian, knight."

1301 (3). The sub-number should be 2.

1330 (26), l. 4 of second paragraph. Supply comma after "Marham."

1330 (62). The S.B. in the Exchequer series is slightly mutilated.

App. 1. *See* Note on No. 302.

PART II.

105, l. 3 from the end, "the lords," *scil.* lords Darcy and Hussey.

108, l. 4, for "dean" read "Dean," a proper name.

120, in title, for "[SKIPP]" read "[SMART]." The error arose from accepting the authority of Willis (Mitred Abbeys, II. 91). The abbot who resigned the monastery of Wigmore was certainly Smart, not Skipp.

125, at end. The No. to be supplied is 372.

181. This document, although its main interest is in connection with the State prisoners of 1537 and earlier years, is certainly of later date. Compare what is said about Burnell in No. 963.

181, l. 11, "Nic. Federston." The name "Nicholas" written in full in the MS. is apparently an error for Richard.

191 (11 l. 2), for "Essex" read "Sussex."

216. This letter is of the year 1538. "Thursday, 5 July" does, indeed, correspond with the year 1537, but it is certain from other documents that the writer meant either Thursday the 4th or Friday the 5th in 1538.

291, l. 5, "the two doctors," *i.e.*, Thirlby and Curwen mentioned before.

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309, l. 8. Insert a full stop after "lord."

312, note, for "Barbarossa" read "Solyman II."

332, l. 4 of PS., for "country" read "company."

376. The date "[31 July]" might have been supplied in the margin. *See* the Archbishop's answer in No. 760.

441, l. 9, for "arts" read "parts."

471. This letter is of the year 1538, not 1537.

475. The cover mentioned in the note at the end of this letter appears to be that of No. 488.

488. The address of this letter is on the cover mentioned in connection with No. 475.

547, at end. Probably "Charleton" and "King" are two names which should have been parted by a comma. The memorandum would then refer to Dr. Henry King and one of the Charletons.

610. Compare No. 518 and Vol. IX., No. 46, which last should also have been placed in August 1537.

614, "J. ELANGEHAC." So the signature seems to read, though the name is well known as Langeac or Langehac. The formation of the letters, however, is peculiar, and the capital E which looks so like an initial is perhaps the second letter of "de" written in capitals, the D being intertwined with the initial J.

616. This letter, but for the complaint at the beginning (which is inconsistent with Clifford's statement in Part I., No. 1286, that letters to Margaret were actually despatched into Scotland by Henry Ray), would seem to have been written at the end of May or beginning of June, when Henry Ray was about to return from his second mission into Scotland. It is to be noted that in the text (*see* State Papers, V. 103) the writer speaks of her divorce having been "ready to be pronounced these twelve weeks past," and in a later letter (*ib.*, p. 119) she says it should have been pronounced within 15 days after Sadler's departure. Sadler could not have left later than the beginning of March; so the sentence must have been ready to be pronounced by the middle of that month and 12 weeks more would bring the date of this letter down to the earlier half of June.

627. Supply date at end: "At the late monastery of Bektif in Meath," 1 Sept.

663, l. 5, for "n[aurons]" read "n[avoit]."

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Ib., l. 6. The unnamed commandry is Shingay. *See* Pt. I., No. 1103,(28).

703. This document should have gone under the 10 Sept., the date of Cranmer's mandate. The letter to Potkyn cited at the end and dated 16 Sept. (III.) is of the year 1536.

732, l. 23, "one priest." By previous letters it appears that this was Robert Hodge, parish priest of Whitburn.

738, l. 7, "a little priory in Cornwall." This was Tywardreth. *See* No. 595.

796 (18), l. 1, for "Gacoigne" read "Gascoigne."

891, note *, for "Countess" read "Marchioness."

968. These instructions must have been drawn up in June or July. *See* Nos. 46, 453.

1008 (3), l., for "Langton" read "Laugton." The modern spelling is Laughton.
(35). Supply comma after "Ballyskaddan."
(39), for "Combmeston" read "Combmerton."

1053. The bracketed marginal date was suggested by the expression on p. 368, "and now it is the 10th." Although this ought to mean 10th October the numeral is certainly wrong. *See* Preface, p. xix., note 1. The second paper was certainly drawn up in the first week of November; for de Velly must have arrived (*see* last paragraph) on the last Wednesday (31st) of October, and the Saturday referred to immediately after must have been the 3rd November.

Ib., p. 368, l. 9. Strike out the parenthesis "(*sic, for* "my")." The true explanation of Dudley's meaning seems to be that he drew up this draft report in order to submit it to

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Wyatt's approval, and thinking of this he suddenly departs from the style of direct quotation in reporting a speech delivered by Wyatt to the Emperor, and gives the latter part of it in substance only, calling Wyatt "you."

1150 (30), l, 3, for "Darcy" read "Denys."

1331, l. 2. "Mr. Gylbarde directed." The reading in the MS. is "Mr. Gylbarde Dijrecks," and there is no verb following; but apparently the person referred to is Gilbert Derick, or Dethick, whose name appears in connection with other matters in Vols. VIII.—X. He was Hammes Pursuivant, afterwards (1540?), Rougecroix, then Richmond (1541), and finally Garter under Edward VI. The date of this letter is quite uncertain, but the lord Privy Seal, to whom it is addressed, is perhaps more probably Cromwell than anyone after him.

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